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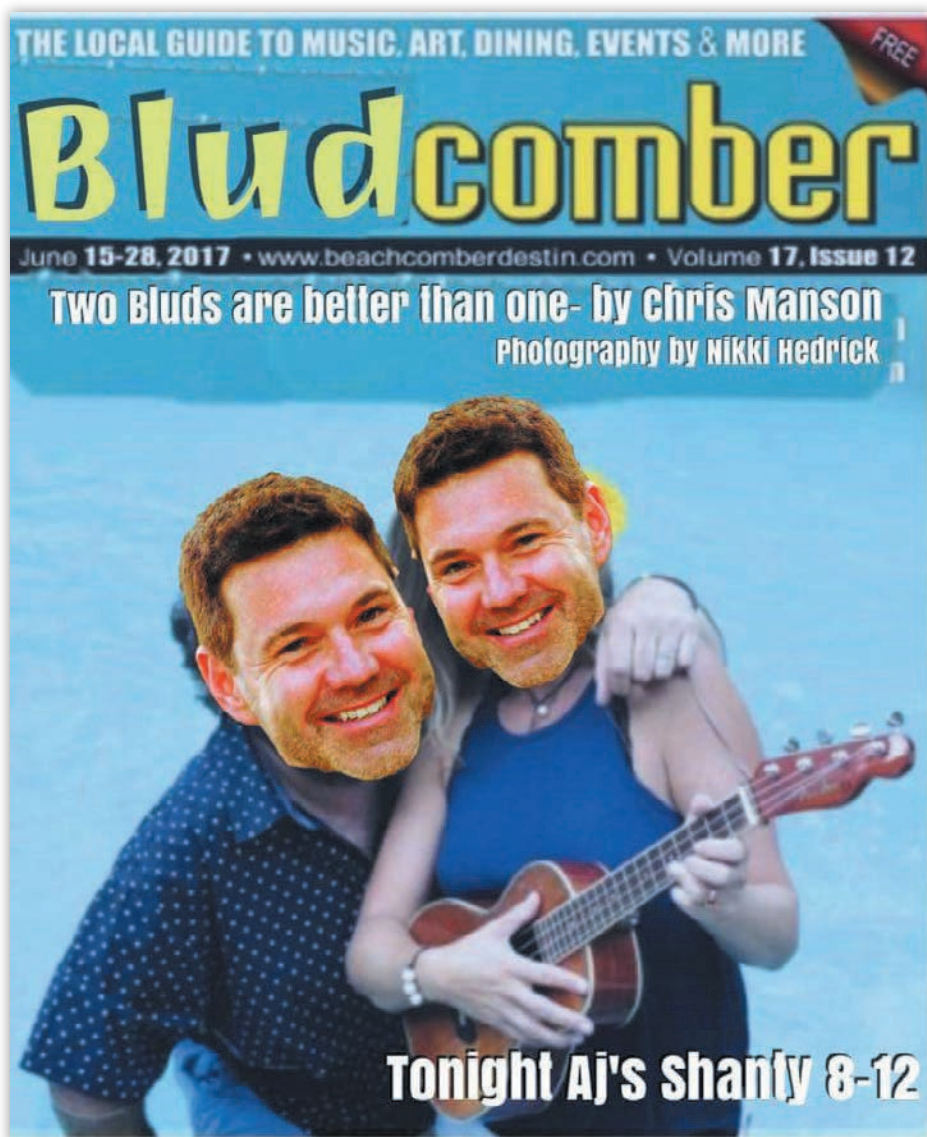
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Opening Remarks

One Dirty Word You Can't Say in Beachcomber

George Carlin was one of the great comedians, and not only because he survived more heart attacks than Richard Pryor. His best stuff still holds up, and you won't find yourself listening for disturbing "clues" like you do when you're brave enough to put on an old comedy album by He Who Shall Remain Nameless.

Carlin died eight years ago, but since then, he's published his autobiography and released at least one pretty good album's worth of career-spanning monologues. That makes him superhuman in my book.



Musician Bryan Bludworth took us up on our suggestion that he parody BEACHCOMBER for one of his gig-promoting social media posts, in which Bludworth inserts himself into well-known places and products. Our apologies to Andi and Ken Johnson (whose lovely faces are obscured here) and photographer Kellie Pickler.

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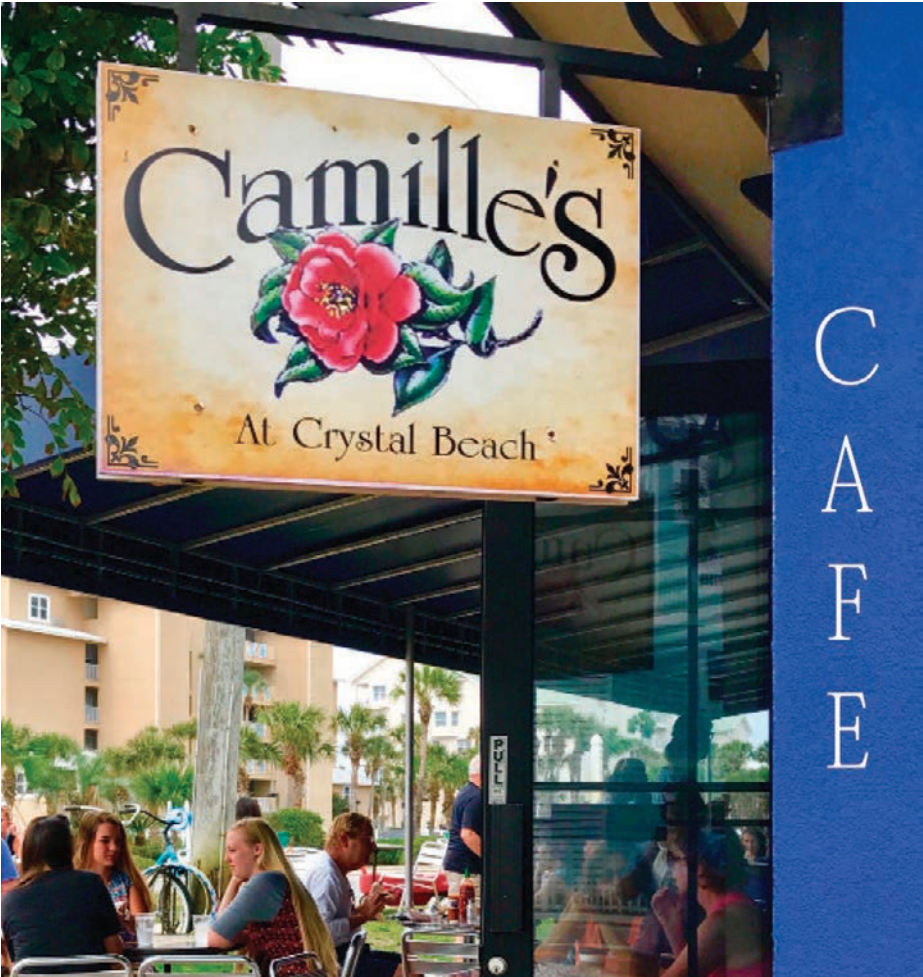
Chris Leavenworth ("Reason Incites Religious Insecurity in Northwest Florida") has lived in Northwest Florida his whole life. In addition to his work with Destin Harvest and time spent with his family and his dog, Chris enjoys good conversations, reading books, and writing and playing music. We hope to see him at Open Mic Night soon.

Samantha Lambert (Destin History & Fishing Museum) has been back in Florida almost a year now, and she loves it. "The weather is beautiful, and I love catching up with old friends again," she says. "And I have really enjoyed writing stories for *Beachcomber*!"

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Joni Williams (Brew Review) enjoys eating, drinking and hitting the road on the spur of the moment, which is pretty much what she writes about, too. Most of the time.



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Opening Remarks CONTINUED...

Speaking of, the man wrote several smart and funny books late in his career. He remained one of the great smutsters of the ages until the end, but it was Carlin's fascination for language that really captured my fancy.

Which, four paragraphs in, brings me to my point. I love most of the cuss words, excluding the ones that are racist, homophobic and generally intolerant. But there is one word, as a writer, that I find particularly offensive to the point I want to pull out my scalp when I see or hear it.

And that dreaded word is...

Write-up.

Yes, I can feel you cringing, fellow scribes. Trust me, that word will never again appear in the pages of *Beachcomber* as long as I have any say-so. Okay, maybe a couple more times in this piece (which is *not* a bloody write-up), and that's it.

I sweat over every piece that I write for this publication, even the stuff that I half-ass. I don't like to have something that I created from scratch and Wikipedia searches diminished by some knucklehead referring to it the same way you would a slacking employee at a (gasp) regular job, as in, "I'm going to write you up if you're late again, Marvin." (Apologies to Marvin, who related that anecdote in the strictest of confidence.)

Call it a story. An article. An essay. Even a meaningless string of ill-chosen thoughts and comments masquerading as good reading (see also James Joyce's *Ulysses*). Or, do like I do, and call it "my baby." Just don't call it a write-up.

Would you walk up to an artist and compliment him or her on a great "paint-up" or "draw-up"? Commend a songwriter on a really catchy "sing-up"? Go backstage at the theater and offer congratulations to the cast on their latest "act-up"? Rave about an architect's stunning "build-up"?

Or throw an "Attaboy" (or "Attagirl") to a sex worker for a really fine... ?

Never mind, the politicians have already claimed that one.

- Editor Manson

THIS JUST IN...

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Alaqua Rescues Great Pyrenees from Heartbreaking Hoarding Conditions

Alaqua Animal Refuge, the no-kill animal shelter located in Freeport, is in the midst of a massive rescue effort to save and provide aid to many Great Pyrenees dogs that have been living in squalor in a nearby county.

Alaqua was originally contacted nine months ago by Lucky Puppy Rescue in Bonifay, indicating a situation where an elderly woman was living in a house with an enormous amount of Great Pyrenees dogs in Washington County. Alaqua contacted local law enforcement authorities and then accompanied them to the scene where over 70 adult dogs were found on the 35-acre property, including inside the woman's house.

The owner of the dogs was confined to a wheelchair with medical issues and could not move about within the house to properly care for them. The dogs were allowed to come in and out of the house through window openings that had large rubber mats affixed to them, serving as giant doggy doors.

The entire property, including the house, was covered in urine, feces and hair, and was extremely unsanitary for the owner and the dogs. During Alaqua's initial assessment, it was determined that none of the dogs had been spayed or neutered. They also had multiple injuries from fighting—mostly from males fighting over females in heat. The dogs' hair was dirty and matted, and fleas were infested everywhere.

Laurie Hood, founder of Alaqua Animal Refuge, described the scene inside the home as "truly sad and deplorable" for the woman and the dogs. "There was a central room with dog food, and the owner would sit in her chair and dump food on the floor for them. There were bits of food scattered everywhere. It's hard to believe than anyone or any animal could live in these conditions."

Unfortunately, at that time it was determined by officials that the dogs and the woman would be allowed to remain on the property and live in the house. Alaqua, however, kept in touch with the woman and offered to assist her with the dogs' care, including food or whatever was necessary.

In recent weeks, Alaqua learned that the woman had passed away, and that it was in her final wishes that Alaqua take ownership of all of the dogs living with her. On the Sunday following the woman's death, representatives were

granted access onto the property to evaluate the situation.

Again, many dogs were found living amid horrible and miserable conditions. A neighbor had also indicated that that there were deceased puppies lying on the ground and in the house. Through a sheer miracle, the puppies found were not deceased, but were so weak and lethargic they could barely move.

A total of 10 puppies, ranging from two to four weeks old, and one kitten were brought to Alaqua late that Sunday night. The animals were each evaluated by Alaqua's medical team, and the staff worked well after midnight caring for and stabilizing them.

Each animal was given a thorough bath, fluids for dehydration, dewormer and flea medication, feeding by syringe and the appropriate vaccinations. They are all in foster care now where they are safe, and can be given individual care during this critical time in their lives.

Alaqua is currently working with rescues such as the Lucky Puppy Rescue, which has been caring for the dogs' essential needs by giving them food and water. The organization has been an integral part of this massive rescue effort. The remaining adult dogs on the property are also being evaluated by Alaqua's staff of veterinarians and animal technicians. After each animal is evaluated, they will be dewormed, vaccinated and provided medical treatment as necessary.

"It is a daunting task," Hood said. "The majority of the dogs have never been handled or socialized, much less had any outside human contact. We are taking our time to gain the trust of the dogs, so the process is a lengthy one. I'm grateful for so many national groups stepping forward to help us rescue these majestic animals, so we can get them the care they deserve and into loving homes quickly."

A rescue of this magnitude takes an incredible amount of resources, as one might imagine. Large rescue efforts such as this one require additional resources, time and money, in addition to meeting daily essential needs of more than 250 animals that are continually in Alaqua's care at any given time.

If you would like to help Alaqua with the Great Pyrenees rescue efforts, you can make a donation at www.alaqua.org.



All donations are appreciated and are important, as lifesaving rescue work cannot be done without the support of individuals and organizations

wanting to help animals suffering from neglect and hoarding situations such as this.

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Shootouts Where Good Guys Win Only Happen in the Movies

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

If you think the terrible sniper attack on the Republicans' baseball practice near Washington was just another instance of an angry nut having easy access to guns, you haven't been listening to Rep. Tom Garrett of Virginia.

He and some other GOP colleagues say last week's shooting illustrates the need for more lenient firearms laws, not stricter ones.

If it weren't for the District of Columbia's tough firearms regulations, they say, Rep. Steve Scalise and the other civilian victims would have been able to bring guns to the Alexandria, Virginia, ball field and defend themselves.

Before dismissing Garrett's alternative scenario as a wild NRA fantasy, let's play out the possibilities.

Scalise was shot in the hip and seriously injured while fielding grounders at second base. Anyone who follows the sport knows that position requires speed, agility and a wide range of motion.

It would be almost impossible to turn a double-play while carrying an AR-15, so let's assume that in Garrett's fertile imagination Scalise would have chosen a handgun.

Next question: Do you wear it in an ankle holster, shoulder holster or hip holster?

Because infielders often must move laterally and make quick stops, a Glock flopping on one's hip would be cumbersome and possibly dangerous. Similarly, any pistol strapped to the ankle would be vulnerable to a sliding base runner, or the odd bounce of a ground ball.

For most ballplayers, the snug fit of a shoulder holster would probably work best, though it might feel restrictive when making a throw to the plate. Batting could also be problematic, as it's difficult to hit a fastball without taking a full, unimpeded swing.

Laying down a bunt, however, would be relatively easy while wearing a shoulder holster.

So let's say, under the Tom Garrett scenario, that all the players are now armed (perhaps the catcher can conceal a small .25-caliber in his cup). Practice begins. The pitchers are warming up. The outfielders are shagging fly balls. The infielders are scooping grounders.

And suddenly a deranged sniper shows up. Last week it happened to be James T. Hodgkinson, a seething 66-year-

old Bernie Sanders supporter from downstate Illinois. Police say he carried a semi-automatic rifle and a handgun, and started shooting through a chain-link fence.

Three people, including Scalise, were wounded in the initial burst of rifle fire. Others on the field dropped to the ground or ran for cover, hiding until police shot the gunman.

But following Garrett's imaginary script, it would be the congressional ballplayers themselves whipping out their weapons, felling the shooter and quickly ending the attack. It's a scene so farfetched that it belongs in a Hollywood action movie.

Real-life gunfights don't unfold that way. They are scary, chaotic and sloppy. Bullets, even those fired by trained law enforcement officers, fly all over the place.

Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky, who was there when Hodgkinson started shooting, said, "You had no way to defend yourself." Another congressman on the diamond noted: "All we had were baseball bats."

Well, yes, that's because it was baseball practice. Apparently we're supposed to believe that they would, as a matter of habit, bring firearms to the park at 7

a.m. on a Wednesday, if it weren't for those unfair concealed-carry laws.

Garrett and other NRA cheerleaders claim events could have turned out differently if Scalise had taken a gun with him. How would that have changed anything? The man was running around with a fielder's mitt on one hand, and throwing baseballs with the other.

He was the target of a blind ambush, and it wouldn't have mattered if he'd been standing on second base with a rocket launcher. He still would have been shot.

Let's say Garrett didn't really mean to suggest that Scalise and the other victims would carry their guns while practicing. Let's say he meant they would keep their weapons close by—say, packed inside their sports bags in the dugout.

Once the sniper began shooting—we're asked to imagine—at least one of the frightened players would have dashed through the fusillade to the dugout, snatched the handgun from his bag and fired across the ballfield, killing the bad guy holding the high-powered rifle.

And that unlikely hero would be who? Congressman Jason Bourne?

Dream on.

Turns Out, the Joke Was on Kathy Griffin

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

What can happen to a comedy writer on a really slow day:

"Hey, here's a kooky concept," Kathy Griffin apparently mused. "Why don't I pose for a picture while holding a fake severed head of President Trump? Then I'll post it on social media!"

Everyone knows how that worked out.

After an instant backlash, Griffin apologized, admitting the stunt was "stupid." She lost several stand-up gigs, and CNN fired her from her co-hosting role with Anderson Cooper on the annual New Year's Eve broadcast.

She also held a strange press conference that veered from remorse to a rant against the Trumps for trying to sabotage her career, a feat she single-

handedly achieved with no assistance from the First Family.

"I'm not afraid of Donald Trump...I've dealt with older white guys trying to keep me down my whole life, my whole career," Griffin fumed. "He picked the wrong redhead...This wouldn't be happening to a guy. This is a woman thing."

So wait...Chris Rock could wave a fake bloody Trump head on stage and nobody would get upset? Seriously?

Griffin's attorney, Lisa Bloom, added this: "It is Trump who should apologize... for being the most woman-hating and tyrannical president in history."

Very helpful, Lisa. You should open your own PR agency.

Meanwhile other veteran comedians such as Jerry Seinfeld and Ricky Gervais

have spoken out in Griffin's defense, dismissing the faux decapitation photo as a really bad joke for which she should be forgiven.

Technically, though, it wasn't just a bad joke, because even bad jokes are devised with a hope of making somebody laugh. As a rule of comedy, public beheadings and political assassinations are two subjects that seldom crack up an audience, especially when combined in the same gag.

Whether it's a cartoon, column or TV sketch, sharp political humor always pisses off somebody, but it's typically delivered with a premise—and a point to be made.

Displaying the fake head of a sitting president like a trophy bass doesn't even qualify as a failed attempt at wit. It isn't cutting-edge art. It isn't pushing any envelope.

It's just an ugly, unsophisticated political statement. Barack Obama was the target of similarly morbid messaging, though it was usually posted by anonymous degenerates, not celebrities (unless you count Ted Nugent).

Even people who can't stand Trump were repulsed by the Griffin photo. You know who else probably didn't find it so hilarious? The family of Daniel Pearl, the *Wall Street Journal* reporter who was beheaded on video by al-Qaida in 2002. Or the families of James Foley and Steven Sotloff, two other journalists decapitated in front of cameras by the Islamic State in 2014.

Or the family of British aid worker David Haines, who was kidnapped in Syria and beheaded for another Islamic State video. Or the loved ones of any

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Reason Incites Religious Insecurity in Northwest Florida

By Chris Leavenworth

Religiously charged residents of Pensacola fantasize about persecution as enduring atheists and humanists continue to identify and address unconstitutional practices and traditions upheld by local government.

This past Monday, Judge Roger Vinson, with the District Court for the Northern District of Florida, ruled against a 34-foot, 70-year-old cross that stands in the middle of a public park in Pensacola. The cross, a glaring violation of the First Amendment's Establishment Clause, was ruled unconstitutional and ordered to be removed within thirty days. The plaintiff, American Humanist Association (AHA), sued the city for \$1.

Church leaders and parishioners, and many members of their congregations, are really upset about not being able to impose a religious monument of their own preference on everyone else

on city property. Pensacola's mayor, Ashton Hayward, spent \$80,000 in city funds defending the cross that was ruled unconstitutional by a Christian judge.

A post on Facebook by a man named Lou Cobb, whose profile says he's retired from the Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office, went viral Wednesday. The post was about the AHA attorney, Monica Miller, and had a screenshot of her with her contact information on the AHA website. It reads, "Here is the idiot attorney that fought for removal of cross in Pensacola. Let's make her famous and run her out of town!"

The post was shared by over 10,000 people, and countless comments demonstrate how quickly some Christians are willing to be downright vile to another human being when they are unable to get what they want.

The whole ordeal began in 2015 when David Suhor, Pensacola resident and

co-founder of the Satanic Temple: West Florida Chapter (TSTWF), made multiple attempts to speak with Brian Cooper, Director for Parks and Recreations of Pensacola, about the cross in Bayview Park.

Cooper declined to meet with Suhor after repeated requests to discuss the issue privately—an effort by Suhor to avoid a public uproar or a legal battle. Suhor's emails and correspondence with the city—along with a timeline of events and documents leading up to the involvement of Freedom from Religion Foundation (FFRF), AHA, and then the lawsuit—are all archived and can be read on his blog.

In July of last year, Suhor delivered the opening invocation for a city council meeting in Pensacola. Dressed in a black robe and hood, he waited for three minutes as a crowd of protesters and local parishioners feverishly chanted the Lord's Prayer and shouted sentiments of outrage with lifted hands. Authorities escorted many of the protesters out of the chamber, but several stayed and continued to disrupt the invocation. Suhor performed a resounding *a capella*—a lyrical plea for compassion, rationality and skepticism—to the visible dismay of almost every person at the meeting.

TSTWF doesn't truly worship or pay homage to the biblical devil. They don't believe in any of it. As a community of free thinking activists, they demonstrate the darker side

of what freedom to exercise one's religion means when state or city municipalities provide a platform to practice it.

Brian Spencer, president of the city council, has since changed the invocation policy to allow only individual council members or their chosen representatives to deliver the opening invocation for council meetings.

The inability to accept that a religious belief will be removed from a public pedestal it once was placed and protected upon reveals a profound insecurity in one's own faith. The only thing that would outrage these religious fanatics more would be a monumental symbol of some other deity.

Because many believers associate success, popularity and power with truth, if they're professing it, they need their faith to dominate. Anything less is a threat to their whole worldview and to the very real benefits derived out of favoritism for the club they're in. It's like their faith is smaller than a mustard seed.

Jesus said, "The meek shall inherit the earth." The United States Constitution reads, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion." It seems the ones who have trouble interpreting their own book suffer equal difficulty with the First Amendment.



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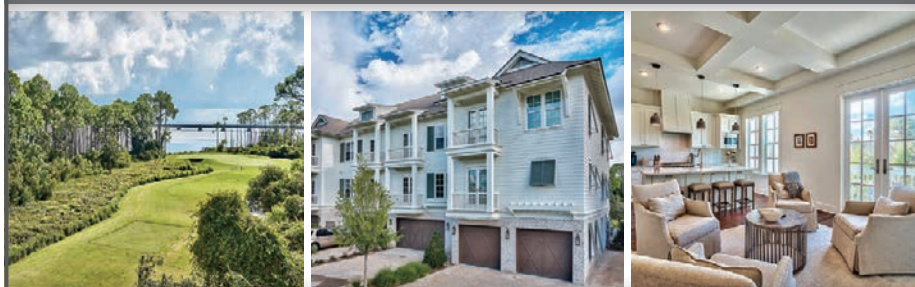
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Florida Is Sinking

By Charles Morgan III

My grandparents were born around the turn of the last century. In 1900, there were no automobiles, airplanes, highways, strip centers, parking lots, malls, office buildings, condominiums or stadiums. There wasn't much demand for petroleum products.

Think about what the state of Florida would have looked like from an aerial photograph (if they existed) in 1900. Think about what Florida looks like today. Think about what the United States looks like today. Think about what earth looks like.

I'm not a scientist, although I did take biology in the 10th grade. However, knowing that causes have effects, it seems likely to me that the changes that have occurred on this earth in the past 100 years or so have had an effect on our climate.

In my adult life—and I matured a little late—the following companies have been founded: Microsoft, Google, Facebook, Apple, Netflix and DIRECTV. These companies have changed our world. They have employed millions of people and have created many more millions of jobs through their supporting companies.

The computer I'm typing this on, the Microsoft Word app I'm using, the Wi-Fi that will send it to *Beachcomber*, and the information I get from Google—none of this existed 30 years ago.

Scientists and engineers of varying disciplines created all of these things. I don't know how any of it works. But I'm glad that smart people figured it out. That is why when it comes to climate change, I'm going to have to side with the 97 percent of scientists who think humans have affected our climate.

Scientists as a group may be one of most apolitical classes of people in this country. I appreciate them making the iPhone that I use, and when it comes to an assessment of climate change I'm going to accept their findings.

We live in a state that is particularly susceptible to climate change, specifically regarding rising sea levels. We also live in a state led by a governor who forbid state employees to use the terms "climate change," "global warming" and "sustainability."

Not talking about these issues is not an intelligent option.

Florida is in a unique geographical situation, particularly when it comes to rising waters. Our state sits atop a karst system of underground limestone caves with rivers and springs running the length of our peninsula. We have the Atlantic Ocean on one coast and the Gulf of Mexico on the other. We have rain falling from the sky. Water surrounds us from four sides. The polar ice caps are melting. Greenland and Iceland and Alaska are shrinking.

Every month in Miami, on a full moon, spring tides (high tides are higher and low tides are lower) bring flooding across the area. With no weather events—i.e., rains, storms, etc.—entire neighborhoods in south Florida are impassible because of standing water.

Recently, a wealthy, typically sensible farmer from Iowa was looking at property with a realtor. Standing on wet, mushy land just west of Miami the farmer said, "I've bought property all my life. I've bought it by the foot and I've bought it by the acre. But I'll be damned if I'm going to buy it by the gallon."

Climate change shouldn't be a political issue. It doesn't impact Democrats differently than it affects Republicans. The changes that will come can have incredibly positive results for people of all political inclinations.

Chattanooga, once the "dirtiest city" in the U.S., doesn't sport the paper, pulp and steel mills that once lined the Tennessee River. Thanks to Bob Corker, an innovative mayor (and now senator), Chattanooga became a regional hub for tech businesses that rely on its incredibly high-speed Internet system. It's natural beauty and proximity to outdoor activities has resulted in its being declared the "Number One City in America" twice in the last decade by *Outside* magazine.

Birmingham, known for 100 years for its steel mills (and the resulting soot and smoke) just made *Outside*'s "Best 25 Cities to Live In" for the first time. The UAB Medical Center has been a catalyst for thousands of high paying jobs and medical related industries.

Cleveland, once known for the Cuyahoga River catching on fire in 1969, is a bustling city—rapidly becoming a hub for innovation in the Midwest.

Whatever you think about Los Angeles, you don't think about smog anymore. Restrictions on automobile emissions

have succeeded in clearing the air in the most auto-centric city in our country. California is now producing so much solar energy that they have to offload power to neighboring states.

The transitions these cities made didn't happen overnight. They didn't necessarily happen because people wanted change. They happened out of necessity. Old industries disappeared and smart people figured out new ones to take their place.

If for some reason you think that scientists are wrong or have a hidden agenda or are politically driven, then we'll just have to disagree. But even so, if you had to bet, your money should be with them.

The steps that need to be taken to combat climate change—even if climate change is a "hoax"—involve imminently reasonable projects. Planting trees (for many reasons), encouraging pedestrian and bicycle friendly towns, cleaning up our waterways, demanding sensible development, managing coastal erosion, embracing the move to sustainable energy, pushing for responsible agriculture...all of this will create jobs and make for a better environment.

You might not think that the sky is falling, but you don't have to be a scientist to know that Florida is sinking. You can figure that out with a tape measure.



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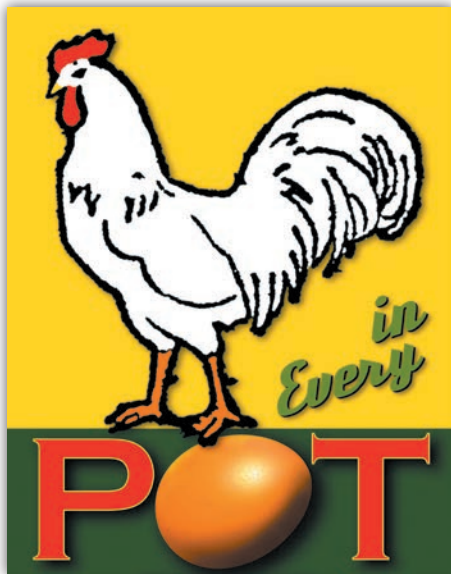
Artist Rick Otoupalik recently won Best in Show at the Arts and Design Society's On the Menu with his captivating "In Every Pot." No small feat, considering he was up against some formidable competition, including Pat Z. Roberts, whose "Happy Hour" (from the same show) was featured on a recent *Beachcomber* cover.

Otoupalik's work includes wall works and sculptures, as well as posters for ADSO, where he serves on the board.

"Next to language, sculpture and painting may be two of the defining characteristics of our species," he says. "Artists have tried to understand and interpret our existence through art for millennia. From Neolithic fertility carvings to modern abstractions, man is constantly reinterpreting the human form."

"I see the human form as representing the consciousness and self-awareness of our species. I endeavor to share this vision in my work."

Discover more at otoupalikarts.com.



...and his Best in Show winner at ADSO's recent On the Menu exhibit, "In Every Pot."

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Tuesdays. Oil with Rosalyn O'Grady, 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. Cost is \$20 per session plus supplies. Call Ros at 850-865-5343. rosalynogrady.com.

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ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) Classes at the Art Center Gallery, Fort Walton Beach. More info at artsdesignsociety.org.

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Tuesdays. Art for Children Ages 6-12, 4-5:30 p.m. **Marcy Eady** teaches about the masters and their styles using principles of basic drawing, painting and sculpture. Media vary each week. Cost per month is \$70 (\$60 for ADSO members). All supplies included.

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ART EVENTS

THROUGH JUNE 30. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) WINDOW GALLERY EXHIBIT AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH

Experience the creations of **Helen Harris**, owner of HH Arts.

THROUGH JULY 14. ADSO'S "WHAT'S IN THE CONSTITUTION?" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH

The art in this exhibition features words from the United States Constitution in the designs. Reception Friday, **July 7**, from 6 to 8 p.m. More info at artsdesignsociety.org, or call 850-244-1271.

THROUGH JULY 22. "TALES AND MYTHS: THE PAINTINGS OF KATHERINE ACE" AT MATTIE KELLY ARTS CENTER GALLERIES, NICEVILLE

The exhibition of works by Portland, Oregon-based artist Ace takes familiar and not-so-familiar fairy tales and retells them in large-scale mixed-media paintings. The exhibition is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and 90 minutes prior most Mainstage Theater performances in the McIlroy and Holzhauser Galleries. Call 850-729-6044 for more info.

THROUGH JULY 31. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) WINDOW GALLERY EXHIBIT AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH



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MARY HONG GALLERY Located next to the Shard Shop in the Shops of Grayton. Mary Hong is the 2014 South Walton Artist of the Year and has been featured in over 10 publications, as well as on the Golf Channel's *Morning Drive Show* and *Emeril's Florida* TV show. Mary's take on glass art incorporates the use of repurposed glass on painted canvas. She and her team offer classes at the Shard Shop located adjacent to her gallery. There is an extensive retail section full of thousands of pounds of glorious glass and art kits to take your ShardWorx on the go. We host parties and team events, too. Gallery is open Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sundays, noon-5 p.m. 26 Logan Lane, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1416. MaryHongStudio.com.

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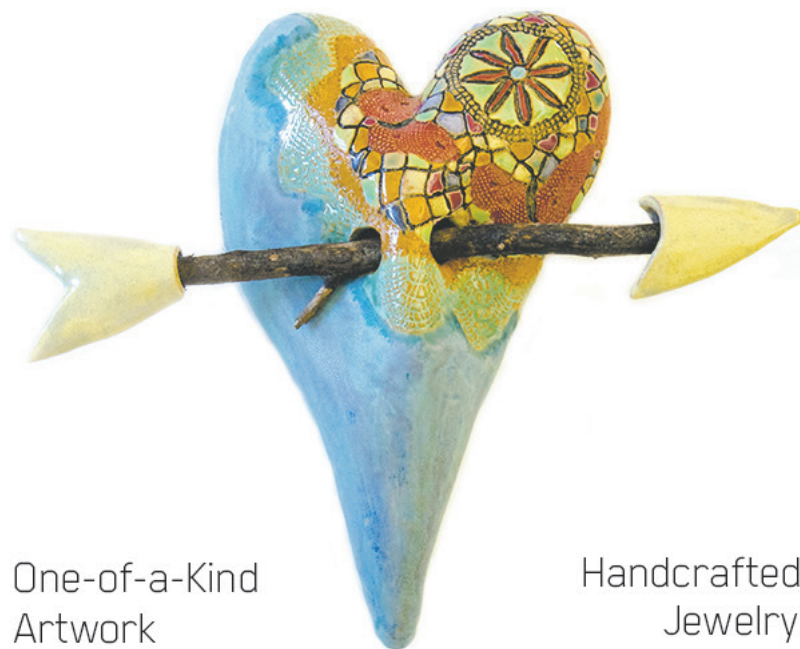
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David Goldflies Keeps on Rockin' Southern Style

By Nikki Hedrick

How does a boy who played violin in Ohio become the bass player for the band that helped define southern rock? If you're **David Goldflies**, it's a mixture of talent and being in right place.

Goldflies' grandfather went by the stage name Gene Gold and was the music director for a Chicago theater. Gold was also the young Goldflies' first violin teacher. At 14, Goldflies had been playing the violin for 10 years but had lost the heart for it after his grandfather passed. "I was getting pretty good and then he died," he says. "And then nobody from my point of view, as a seven-or-eight-year-old child, was able to teach me. I didn't want to hear it."

"At 14, I figured it out and said, 'Dad, I really want to play guitar.'" Goldflies' father, however, suggested his son take up the bass instead. Soon, Goldflies was playing in his father's band and starting his own garage bands. All before he entered high school.

At a gig for a band called Sagebrush, Goldflies met Bill Bartlett and got a taste of the music career that awaited him. "Bill had a falling out with his bass player, and I joined Starstruck," says Goldflies. "We recorded 'Black Betty,' and it became a hit. It was the first time I'd played with a band that did any sort of recording."

But that band dissolved, leaving the young Goldflies "out of work, at my mom and dad's house at, like, 19 years old. It was like, 'This sucks.' I had been having fun in this rock band, and now nothing. No money, no girlfriend. It was terrible."

Soon, Goldflies joined a Cincinnati cover band and got word that Dickey Betts was looking for a bass player. Only Goldflies didn't know Betts was a founding member of the Allman Brothers Band—he only had fleeting knowledge of Betts due to a mentor who would often play Allmans songs.

"I went to a motel room, and there was Dickey," says Goldflies. "I played a little, and he said, 'Let's go.'" But Goldflies didn't feel right leaving his bandmates without a bass player on short notice, so the pair arranged to meet up a couple days and a few hundred miles later.

"I played with Dickey Betts and Great Southern for about a year and a half," says Goldflies. "Then the Allman Brothers reformed and I tried out for the bass part. I knew Dickey and I knew how Dickey directed on stage, and I think that gave me an edge. I knew how he did it. The other bass players (who tried out) didn't know his cues. I think it really made a difference, that's just my opinion."

And that's how Goldflies became the bass player for none other than the Allman Brothers Band in 1978.

"It was kind of wild," Goldflies says of touring with the Allmans. "And then it became a Hunter S. Thompson novel. It was a pretty wild lifestyle, which I'm very happy I survived. I learned a lot of music, too."

In 2012, the Allman Brothers Band received a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award. Recently, that Grammy made it's way to Goldflies.

"Oteil Burbridge, the last bass player for the Allman Brothers, contacted



Photos courtesy of David Goldflies.

me and said, 'Hey man I have this Grammy, a Lifetime Achievement Award. I got to thinking about this, and I'm standing on the shoulders of the people that came before me. I didn't do this for a lifetime, and I'd really like to share this with the other living bass player and the estates of the deceased bass players.'

"And that's just a very generous and thoughtful thing. I've come to know Oteil more through this interaction with this Grammy award, and he is really intelligent, sensitive...just a gentleman."

True to his word, Burbridge shipped the Grammy to Goldflies. "It's a pretty neat

thing to be a part of," says Goldflies. "I had a Grammy nomination, but to have an actual Grammy..."

Goldflies recently shared an intimate look at the late Butch Trucks on his blog (www.goldfliesmusic.com) but was a bit more reserved in talking about the recent passing of Gregg Allman. "Gregg kind of lived on the other side of the stage and had what I called a 'star orbit,'" he says. "I had a great time, but Gregg was a star, the superstar. He was always friendly, and I was really lucky to work with what I'd call one of the best blues singers and the originators of the southern rock genre."

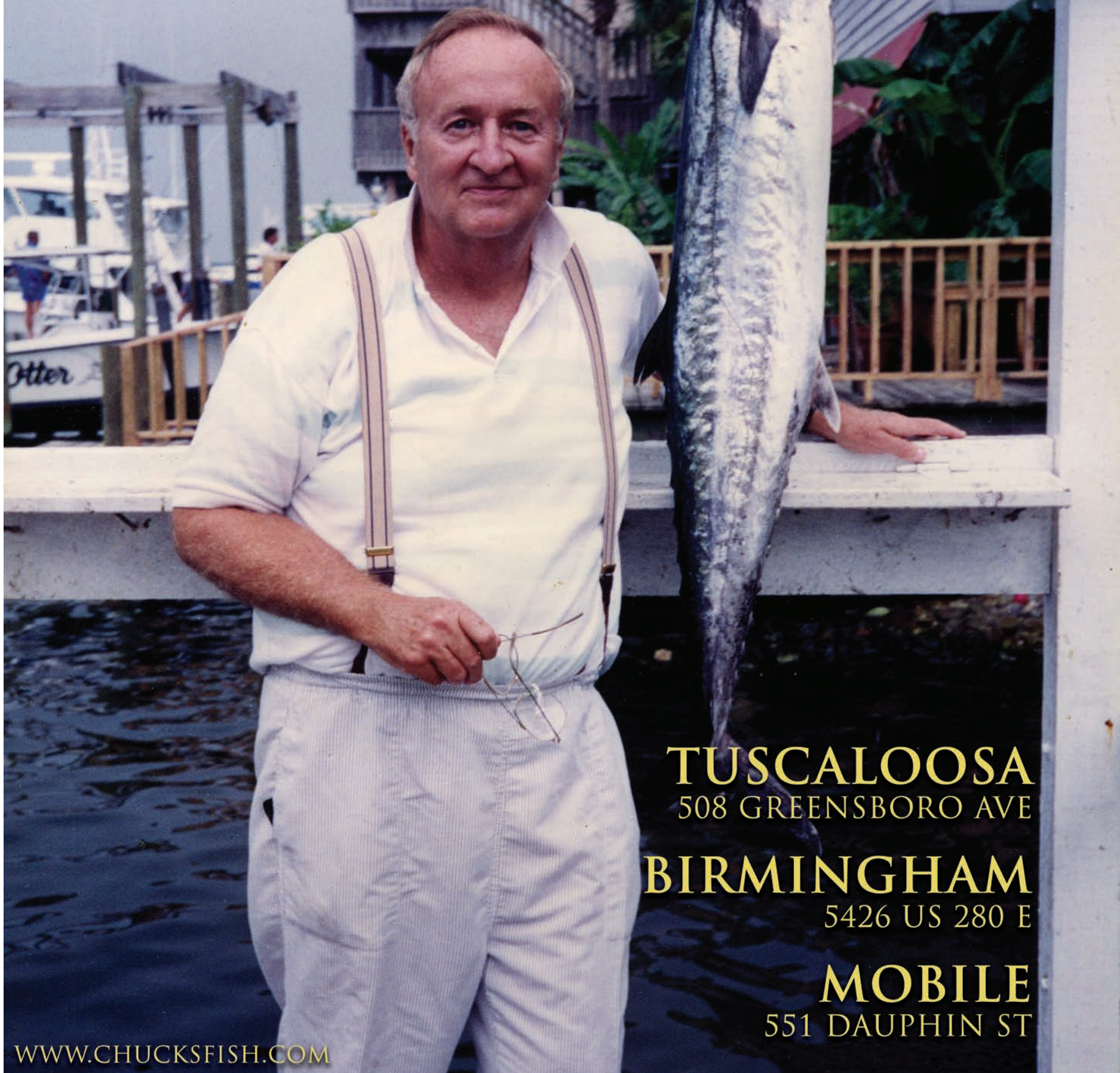
After his time in the Allman Brothers Band came to a close, Goldflies toured throughout the United States and found himself smitten with Panama City Beach in the '80s. In 1993, he officially moved to the beach, in part because of the attractiveness of regular gigs.

He is currently a member of the Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra, Panama City POPS and the Downbeat Jazz Orchestra.

Additionally, he has formed a new band with a familiar surname. "Now I'm working with a guy named Gary Allman, and he definitely has that voice. We have a band called the Allman Goldflies Band." Look for their upcoming release *Second Chance*, and catch the band in person at a venue near you.



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Andi Zack-Johnson “Live” from the Red Carpet

By Chris Manson

As promised in our previous issue—which featured **Andi Zack-Johnson** and husband Ken on the cover—here are some thoughts on the recent CMT Music Awards that Andi attended as part of the network’s reality show *I Love Kellie Pickler*.

“We arrived at the red carpet with Kellie and (husband) Kyle Jacobs,” says Andi. “We posed for photographers from E! News, *People*, *Access Hollywood* and *Entertainment Tonight*, among others. And we got to chat with our friends Big and Rich.”

Andi wore a dress created by local designer Nicole Paloma of Grayton Beach’s Monet Monet, and jewelry from Wendy Mignot Pearls. Ken wore Wranglers and a Vera Wang jacket, plus an authentic 8 Reale Silver Coin necklace from the 1715 Spanish Fleet Shipwreck designed by Mignot. “We posed for pictures and did some interviews on the red carpet, then took our seats for the show. It was fun sitting in the celebrity section, chatting with friends Lo Cash Cowboys, Lauren Alaina, Luke Bryan, Runaway June, Brook Eden, Jon Pardi, Kelsea Ballerini and Brothers Osborne.”

Backstage, Ken bumped into actress Claire Bowen, who plays Scarlet O’Connor on the CMT series *Nashville*.

“He got to tell her in person that he loved her recording of his song ‘Every Time I Fall In Love’ that she sang at the Bluebird Cafe in Season 2,” says Andi, referring to the song that Harry Connick Jr. also recorded on his recent long player.

“We also saw Little Big Town’s Phillip Sweet and his wife Rebecca. Their daughter Penelope is a particular fan of Huck & Lilly’s song ‘The Fiddler Crab.’”

Some of Andi’s favorite moments from the awards show included watching Brothers Osborne perform with Peter Frampton, and Carrie Underwood and Keith Urban’s duet, “The Fighter.”

“After the awards, we went to the 30A hospitality room and sampled some of (Mike Ragsdale’s) 30A wine. Mike has been a great supporter of Huck & Lilly, plugging us on 30A social media and having us for an interview and performances with Cory Davis from 30A Radio.”

Alas, the Johnsons had to call it a night since they were due to film *I Love Kellie Pickler* the very next day. The new season debuts in August. *** DVR alert ***

RIGHT: Andi Zack-Johnson and BFF Kellie Pickler at the CMT Music Awards. We’d love to see both of these ladies at our big event next year. Andi, Kellie...clear your calendars for the first Monday in March, 2018.



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Avi Avital and Omer Avital

Avital Meets Avital
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When Avi met Omer—here's what happened. Avi plays classical mandolin, and Omer plays jazz bass and oud. Some of the best, most exciting and intellectually stimulating jazz coming out these days is from the Middle East and North Africa. If you're not listening to it yet, this would be a great introduction. Along with the two leaders, there's Yonathan Avishai (piano) and Itamar Doari (percussion). The nine tracks start off with the soaring, dramatic "Zamzama," then dip down deep into romance with "Lonely Girl." And so it goes. Want swagger, atmosphere and melancholy? Glad these two guys met.

- Bruce Collier

Lindsey Buckingham and Christine McVie

Lindsey Buckingham / Christine McVie
Atlantic



Despite being well into their 60s, these Fleetwood Mac alum prove they've still got it. Though it's a far cry from the impassioned near-growl heard in "The Chain" on *Rumours*, Buckingham's voice still compels with its raw, emotion-inspiring edge in "Love is Here to Stay." Likewise, "Game of Pretend" is highlighted by McVie's still-clear, amplified voice oozing with hushed emotion just as it did in "Songbird" all those years ago. While the album is mostly comprised of lively tracks that lean more towards adult contemporary than rock, there's a reborn familiarity to it that offers way more than just nostalgic whimsy.

- Joni Williams

Big Lo

Wonderland Apocalypse
Independent



Pensacola-based Big Lo continues his unique approach to hip-hop music. Each release is an indictment of the corners of pop culture, holding a mirror up to ourselves and reflecting on society as a whole. There is nothing inherently wrong about party music in any genre, but Big Lo helps light the way to intellectual and enjoyable hip-hop that paints a story of our modern times. He uses the phrase "calculated chaos" in one of his tracks, and that's the most appropriate phrase to describe *Wonderland Apocalypse*—each listener will walk away with a different take on this multidimensional album.

- Nikki Hedrick

Fleet Foxes

Crack-Up
Nonesuch



Crack-Up, the third album from the folk band Fleet Foxes, is their first release in six years, following their highly acclaimed *Helplessness Blues* in 2011, a hiatus, and frontman Robin Pecknold's decision to pursue his BA at Columbia University. They have undergone changes and felt pressures both personal and of the world at large, and as a result, have created an album of immense depth, interiority and beauty. Their work is as stunning and affecting as ever, with a newfound level of experimentation to match Pecknold's songwriting about his earnest search for a sense of place in a tumultuous world.

- Jane Morgan

Ahmad Jamal

Marseille
Jazz Village



Pianist Ahmad Jamal celebrates his 87th birthday July 2. He has more than just longevity to toast. His latest album, *Marseille*, was recorded near Paris, and features eight tracks, with piano, double bass, drums and percussion. The title song itself receives three distinct interpretations, one instrumental, vocals—plus French rap? This jazz legend worked with a heady list of legends himself, and he pays homage to several (Lee Morgan, Miles Davis) throughout the album. Even when he's being elusive, his technique is just plain amazing—disciplined, playful and not out to impress anybody. Which is exactly what it does.

- Bruce Collier

Lorde

Melodrama
Republic



Melodrama, the sophomore album from 20-year-old pop singer Lorde, is the most electrifying and emotional release of the year. Through soaring, infectious pop, vulnerable ballads, and the occasional menacing beat, Lorde finds joy and power in her confrontation of heartbreak and consideration of vulnerability. She embraces the messiness and largeness of the feelings that inevitably come with your first life-altering heartache, from self-doubt and loneliness to anger and nostalgia, and, finally, to unleashed independence. These are songs for every stage of sadness and self-renewal, and they further reward and captivate the listener with an ecstatic tenderness with every listen.

- Jane Morgan

Pure Intent

It's All Grey
Independent



This Panama City-based hardcore band has plenty of energy to spare. In true hardcore fashion, you'll blast through their five-song EP in under 7 minutes. With themes ranging from modern identity to social media driving conformity, *Pure Intent* harks back to when punk music was an unfiltered voice of youth and those who felt like outsiders to society. Moreover, the music is ablaze with passion and vitriol.

- Nikki Hedrick

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Partially based in Panama City, Supermoon1999 lies in that cozy space between lo-fi pop and ethereal indie music. Although the instruments have a fairly upbeat tone, something remains in the reverb vocals and soft mixes that is mournful and full of intrigue. Fans of experimental genres like chamber folk will feel right at home listening to the EP.

- Nikki Hedrick

EDITOR'S PICKS - REISSUES

The Beatles, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*. With Giles (son of George) Martin's proper stereo mix, I finally understand how people must have felt when they heard the Beatles' so-called masterpiece 50 years ago. Plus a second disc of outtakes that you'll only listen to once.

Prince, *Purple Rain (Deluxe Edition)*.

Three-plus hours of the seminal album of my misspent youth? I made the time, and so should you. "Another Lonely Christmas"—one of many bonus tracks included here—may be the best thing the man ever did.

- Chris Manson

Live Music

Musicians and venues: Email chris@beachcomberdestin.com to have your gigs listed here.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 p.m.

AL'S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 p.m.

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 7 p.m.

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 p.m.

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 p.m.

DUCK DUCK, Destin
DJ/VJ DOC ROC, 10 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
THE MOON LAGOONS, 9 p.m.

THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach
MELISSA JOINER, 7 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD'S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
ED WRANN, Noon-4 p.m.

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com

THE VILLAGE BELLES, 7:30 p.m.
Red, White & Blue Celebration

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
BRYAN BLUDWORTH, 6-10 p.m.

LA PLAYA, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-10 p.m.
Ladies Night

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
ADAM HOLT DUO, 6 p.m.

MATTIE KELLY CULTURAL ARTS VILLAGE, Destin, MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org
WALTER "WOLFMAN" WASHINGTON, 7 p.m.
(\$15, Children 12 and Under FREE)
Concerts in the Village welcomes Ponchatoula, Louisiana's energetic R&B/funk outfit.

McGUIRE'S IRISH PUB, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 p.m.
CONTINUUM, 9 p.m.

OCEAN CLUB, Miramar Beach
BOBBYD, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

THE ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK, Fort Walton Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.

THE OTHER END, Destin
MARVIN HOLDMAN, 6 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)

STINKY'S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS, 6-9 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 p.m.-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
CADILLAC WILLY, 6-9 p.m.
Music on the Green

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

AJ'S, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 7 p.m.

AJ'S OYSTER SHANTY, Okaloosa Island
BRANDON DAY, 3-7 p.m.

AL'S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
SHENANIGANS, 8 p.m.-Midnight

BOSHAMPS, Destin
BOUKOU GROOVE, 7 p.m.

BRIC A BRAC, Destin
JONES & COMPANY, 7-10 p.m.

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TONI DRAGO, 3-5 p.m.

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com
DIKI ROSS, 5-9 p.m.

DUCK DUCK, Destin
DJ/VJ DOC ROC, 10 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
FISH OUT OF WATER, 9 p.m.

GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach
HATCHLING, 8 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD'S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
ED WRANN, Noon-4 p.m.

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
JIM COUCH, 6-10 p.m.
100 DOLLAR CAR, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

JUANA'S PAGODAS, Navarre Beach
MARSHA MARSHA MARSHA, 9 p.m.

KC'S SANDBAR, Fort Walton Beach
FINGA FAYA, 4-7 p.m.
HERITAGE, 9 p.m.

THE LANDING PARK, Fort Walton Beach
SHOW ME DRAGON, 6-8 p.m.
Concerts on the Landing, presented by 102.1 "The Wave" radio.

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
THE MOON LAGOONS, Noon
TY GRACEY, 5 p.m.



Live Music

McGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin BOB CUSHING, 6 p.m. YAMADEO, 9 p.m.
MODICA MARKET, Seaside THE STEENOS, 5-7 p.m.
OCEAN CLUB, Miramar Beach BOBBYD, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
THE ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK, Fort Walton Beach BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.
THE OTHER END, Destin BO ADAMS & SETH GALLOWAY, 6 p.m.
THE PERFECT PIG, Santa Rosa Beach CHRIS ALVARADO, 6 p.m.
THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008 RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.
RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m. TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)
STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach TK BARDWELL, 6-9 p.m.
SUNSET BAY CAFE, Miramar Beach MARI GLEASON, 5 p.m.
SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight
30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach Friday Night Originals, 7-9 p.m.

TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO, Destin RON ADAMS, 7 p.m.
VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, baytownewharf.com BRYAN BLUDWORTH, 7-10 p.m. <i>Baytowne Live</i>
VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola ALEJANDRO ESCOVEDO BAND – PAT PUCKETT, 7 p.m.
SATURDAY, JULY 1
AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach BRANDON DAY, 2-6 p.m.
AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com SHENANIGANS, 8 p.m.-Midnight
BEST WESTERN, Okaloosa Island DIKI ROSS, 1 p.m.
BIG RUMORS, Navarre HIPPIY JIM – JJ’S REVIVAL, 7 p.m.
BRIC A BRAC, Destin COCONUT RADIO, 6 p.m.
CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com ACTION DOUG, 3-5 p.m.
CHIRINGO, Santa Rosa Beach MARI GLEASON, 1 p.m.
CLUB LA, Destin GLOWRAGE, 9 p.m.

CLUB TIKI AT TOPS’L, Miramar Beach BEN FRIEDMAN, 4-7 p.m.
FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650 CADILLAC WILLY, 9 p.m.
THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach DANNI COYOTE, 6 p.m.
HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com THE MOON LAGOONS, 7 p.m. <i>Rock the Docks</i>
HOG’S BREATH, Destin KEVIN CARSON, 6-10 p.m. 100 DOLLAR CAR, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.
ISLAND WING CO., Destin BOB CUSHING, 6 p.m.
JUANA’S PAGODAS, Navarre Beach MARSHA MARSHA MARSHA, 9 p.m.
LJ SCHOONERS, Niceville ED WRANN, 7-11 p.m.
LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin WEBB DALTON BAND, Noon WEBB DALTON, 5 p.m.
McGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-9 p.m. CONTINUUM, 9 p.m.
THE ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK, Fort Walton Beach WAYNE HALL, 6 p.m.
THE OTHER END, Destin ROB ROMANS, 6 p.m.
THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008 RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.
REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER
RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m. TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)
STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach BLUE LEW, 6-9 p.m.
SUNSET BAY CAFE, Miramar Beach AL ALVARADO, 5 p.m.
SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight
THE TIPSY PIG, Fort Walton Beach WATERZEDGE, 7-11 p.m.
VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, baytownewharf.com STEVIE HALL, 7-10 p.m. <i>Baytowne Live</i>
SUNDAY, JULY 2
AJ’S, Destin JONES & COMPANY, 4-8 p.m.
AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach BRANDON DAY, 4-8 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com MICHAEL ARSENAULT, 5-9 p.m.
CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 a.m.-Noon
CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com BOB CUSHING, 5-9 p.m.
FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – DUKE BARDWELL – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 a.m.
FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650 DONOVAN KEITH, 8 p.m.
THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach CHRIS ALVARADO, 6 p.m.
GULF PLACE, Santa Rosa Beach STILL STANDING (Elton John Tribute), 5 p.m.
HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com DANA POINTE BAND, 7-9 p.m.
HELEN BACK, Okaloosa Island JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 3-8 p.m.
HOG’S BREATH, Destin COLE JORDAN, 6-10 p.m.
JUANA’S PAGODAS, Navarre Beach COCONUT RADIO, 3 p.m.
LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 p.m. <i>Sunday Funday</i>
LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin BOUKOU GROOVE, 1 p.m. JIMMY LUMPKIN, 6 p.m.
McGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin BOB CUSHING, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. ROB ROMANS, 6 p.m.
THE ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK, Fort Walton Beach BEN FRIEDMAN, Noon-3 p.m.
THE OTHER END, Destin KYLE REED, 6 p.m.
THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008 DREAD CLAMPITT, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. ASHLEY WALLS, 7:30 p.m.
SEAGAR’S, Sandestin RAY HITCHELL, 6-9 p.m.
STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach BILL GARRETT, 6-9 p.m.
STINKY’S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach THE STEENOS with FRANKO “WASHBOARD” JACKSON, 11 a.m.
SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight
TREBEACHE, Santa Rosa Beach BILL GARRETT – “SMILIN” FRITZ FROESCHNER, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.



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Live Music

MONDAY, JULY 3

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
BRANDON DAY, 6-10 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin,
CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
KEVIN CARSON, 3-5 p.m.

CRAB ISLAND CANTINA, HarborWalk Village
WATERZEDGE, 8 p.m.-Midnight

DESTIN COMMONS
HERITAGE, 7 p.m.
Smoke on the Coast

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,
850-424-6650
DONOVAN KEITH, 8 p.m.

THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach
KYLE LaMONICA, 6 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD’S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
ED WRANN, Noon-4 p.m.

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin,
EmeraldGrande.com
KANE & THE SAINTS, 7-9 p.m.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
JASON FINDLEY, 6-10 p.m.
Cat Shirt Monday

KC’S SANDBAR, Fort Walton Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 7-11 p.m.

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin,
lulubuffett.com/destin
JIMMY LUMPKIN, 6 p.m.

POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach
DIKI ROSS, 2 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach,
850-231-1008
DREAD CLAMPITT, 7-10 p.m.

SEAGAR’S, Sandestin
RAY HITCHELL, 6-9 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
JOHN HOORMANN, 6-9 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight

WATERSOUND BEACH CLUB, Santa Rosa Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
BLAKE BROCK, 5-9 p.m.

BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton
Open Mic Night, 8 p.m.

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin,
CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
BLAKE GRIFFITHS, 3-5 p.m.

CHIRINGO, Santa Rosa Beach
CHRIS ALVARADO, 6 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,
850-424-6650
THE ICEMAN SPECIAL, 9 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD’S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
ED WRANN, Noon-4 p.m.

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin,
EmeraldGrande.com
JANUARY NOISE, 7-9 p.m.
Followed by fireworks and a performance by Just Add Fire.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
BRANDON DAY, 6-10 p.m.

THE HUB 30A, Santa Rosa Beach
BOUKOU GROOVE, 7 p.m.

THE LANDING PARK, Fort Walton Beach
SHOW ME DRAGON, 4 p.m.
NAKD, 6-8 p.m.

THE MARKET SHOPS, Sandestin
THE GRAYTONES, 5-7 p.m.
Pop & Shop Concerts

THE PERFECT PIG, Santa Rosa Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.

SEAGAR’S, Sandestin
RAY HITCHELL, 6-9 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
BO ADAMS, 6-9 p.m.
Taco Tuesday

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 p.m.-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Open Mic Live, 7-10 p.m.

THE TIPSYPIG, Fort Walton Beach
ROB ROMANS, 7 p.m.

VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, baytownewharf.com
DONOVAN KEITH & THE FUNKY FEAT
Red, White and Baytowne

WATERSOUND BEACH CLUB, Santa Rosa Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
ALEXA BURROUGHS, 5-9 p.m.

AJ’S OYSTER SHANTY, Okaloosa Island
Karaoke with TIM MORINELLI, 7:30-10:30 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
THREE BEAN SOUP, 5-9 p.m.

THE BAY, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7 p.m.

BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton
Open Mic Night, 8 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin,
CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 p.m.

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin,
captdavesonthegulf.com
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 p.m.

FOKKER’S PUB, Fort Walton Beach,
850-244-6666
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,
850-424-6650
CONTINUUM, 9 p.m.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6-10 p.m.

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin,
lulubuffett.com/destin
RONNIE PRESLEY, 6 p.m.

Live Music Review

The Moon Lagoons

Graffiti & the Funky Blues Shack, Destin



Throughout the Emerald Coast, we have a plethora of bands and artists that have cemented themselves in our local music community and have been part of it for many years. We should be thankful for them, because they have paved the way and created a thriving environment for a relatively new band that’s been making a big splash recently—**The Moon Lagoons**.

These young and talented musicians have been making the rounds at some of our best local music venues, bringing a sound that reflects our area well—a smooth and beachy vibe that is sure to entertain. As I walked into the recently re-opened Funky Blues Shack for one of their shows, I witnessed a live music painter named Beverly Kennedy working on some absolutely magnificent art, and I knew I was in for a treat.

The Moon Lagoons lineup includes some of the best musicians on the Emerald Coast, including **Buddy Brumit** (formerly of Continuum) on vocals and acoustic guitar, **Metz Barnes** (also a member of Cadillac Willy and the 2017 Beachcomber Music Award winner for Best Keyboardist) on keys and vocals, **Alston Weeks** on drums and vocals,

Orilious Banks on guitar, and **Michael Paoletti** on bass guitar.

Their sound is cemented in roots rock and soul music, but they aren’t afraid to turn the clock back and play some great classics from the Rolling Stones, the Temptations, CCR and Parliament. Alongside these classics, they bring up their own versions of more recent hits from artists such as MGMT and Empire of the Sun.

This band also has achieved a great hallmark for their career, being part of 103.1 FM the Blaze’s Local Break. This included a radio broadcast debut of their new original song “Through To You,” and a live broadcast performance of a few of their songs.

As I looked around and took in the eclectic atmosphere of the Funky Blues Shack, I realized the Moon Lagoons were in a very fitting environment. With their combined musical talents blending old and new, taking established songs and turning them into something all their own, we can see that these musicians are more than just a run-of-the-mill summertime cover band. They are something to look out for, and I’d be looking out for them sooner rather than later.

- Marcus DeGagne

Live Music

THE OTHER END, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 6 p.m.

PEDDLER’S PAVILLION, Santa Rosa Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
Singer-Songwriter Open Mic

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)

SANDESTIN BEACH CLUB, Miramar Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 1-4 p.m.

SEASIDE AMPHITHEATER, Santa Rosa Beach
ALVAREZ KINGS, 7 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
NEIL SEBREE, 6-9 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 p.m.-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
TED ROCKET Radio Program, 7-8 p.m.

VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, baytownewharf.com
THE MOON LAGOONS, 7-9 p.m.
Wednesday Night Concert Series

VINE WINE BAR, Navarre
RACHEL GIORDANO, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 p.m.

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 7 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 p.m.

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
THE MOON LAGOONS, 9 p.m.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
BRYAN BLUDWORTH, 6-10 p.m.

ISLAND WING CO., Destin
BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.

LA PLAYA, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-10 p.m.
Ladies Night

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
LEFTY COLLINS, 6 p.m.

MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 p.m.

POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach
COCONUT RADIO, 2 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)

SANDESTIN BEACH CLUB, Miramar Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 1-4 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS, 6-9 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 p.m.-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
THE MOON LAGOONS, 6-9 p.m.
Music on the Green

THE TIPSY PIG, Fort Walton Beach
ROB ROMANS, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

AJ’S, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 7 p.m.

AJ’S OYSTER SHANTY, Okaloosa Island
BRANDON DAY, 3-7 p.m.
ALEXA BURROUGHS, 8 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 8 p.m.-Midnight

BRIC A BRAC, Destin
JONES & COMPANY, 7-10 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TONI DRAGO, 3-5 p.m.

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com
DIKI ROSS, 5-9 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 9 p.m.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
JIM COUCH, 6-10 p.m.
GRAPE DRINK, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

KC’S SANDBAR, Fort Walton Beach
FINGA FAYA, 4-7 p.m.
NEW EARTH ARMY, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

THE LANDING PARK, Fort Walton Beach
TOBACCO ROAD, 6-8 p.m.
Concerts on the Landing, presented by 102.1 “The Wave” radio.

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
LAMONT, Noon
COCONUT RADIO, 6 p.m.

MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 p.m.

MODICA MARKET, Seaside
THE STEENOS, 5-7 p.m.

THE ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK, Fort Walton Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.

THE PERFECT PIG, Santa Rosa Beach
CHRIS ALVARADO, 6 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)

SMOKIN’ OASIS, Navarre Beach
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-10 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
TK BARDWELL, 6-9 p.m.

SUNSET BAY CAFE, Miramar Beach
MARI GLEASON, 5 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Friday Night Originals, 7-9 p.m.

VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, baytownewharf.com
BRYAN BLUDWORTH, 7-10 p.m.
Baytowne Live

SATURDAY, JULY 8

AJ’S, Destin
TOBACCO ROAD, 7 p.m.

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
BRANDON DAY, 2-6 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 8 p.m.-Midnight

ANGLER’S, Okaloosa Island
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 7-11 p.m.

BEST WESTERN, Okaloosa Island
DIKI ROSS, 1 p.m.

BRIC A BRAC, Destin
COCONUT RADIO, 6 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
ACTION DOUG, 3-5 p.m.

CHIRINGO, Santa Rosa Beach
MARI GLEASON, 1 p.m.
DANNI COYOTE, 5 p.m.

COUNTY LINE PIZZA, Fort Walton Beach
BOB CUSHING, 9 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
MOSE WILSON & THE DELTA TWANG, 9 p.m.

THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 6-9 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD’S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
WATERZEDGE, 6-10 p.m.



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NEW EARTH ARMY, 6-10 p.m.

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com
JACOB MOHR BAND, 7-9 p.m.
Rock the Docks

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
BO ADAMS, 6-10 p.m.
SUPERFACED, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
LAMONT, Noon

THE ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK, Fort Walton Beach
WAYNE HALL, 6 p.m.

THE OTHER END, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 6 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 p.m.
(Courtyard)

SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET, Santa Rosa Beach
CHRIS ALVARADO, 8 a.m.

STINKY'S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
BLUE LEW, 6-9 p.m.

SUNSET BAY CAFE, Miramar Beach
AL ALVARADO, 5 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight

TISANO'S, Niceville
ED WRANN, 8 p.m.-Midnight

SUNDAY, JULY 9

AJ'S, Destin
ALEXA BURROUGHS, Noon and 6 p.m.
JONES & COMPANY, 4-8 p.m.

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
BRANDON DAY, 4-8 p.m.

AL'S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
JAMAH TERRY, 5-9 p.m.

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 a.m.-Noon

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com
BOB CUSHING, 5-9 p.m.

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – DUKE BARDWELL – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 a.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
MATT McCARTY's Jazz Jam, 7-10 p.m.

THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach
CHRIS ALVARADO, 6 p.m.

GULF PLACE, Santa Rosa Beach
DEJA VU, 5-8 p.m.

HELEN BACK, Okaloosa Island
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 3-8 p.m.

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
COLE JORDAN, 5 p.m.

THE HUB 30A, Santa Rosa Beach
AUBREY WOLLETT, 7 p.m.

JUANA'S PAGODAS, Navarre Beach
COCONUT RADIO, 3 p.m.

LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 p.m.
Sunday Funday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
BOUKOU GROOVE, 1 p.m.
CADILLAC ATTACK, 6 p.m.

McGUIRE'S IRISH PUB, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

THE PERFECT PIG, Santa Rosa Beach
BEN FRIEDMAN, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

UPCOMING MUSIC RELEASES

JUNE 30

The Beach Boys, *1967 – Sunshine Tomorrow*
Beach House, *B-Sides and Rarities*
The Cash Box Kings, *Royal Mint*
Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers, *Native Heart*
Echo & the Bunnymen, *The Killing Moon – The Singles 1980-1990*
Jay Z, *4:44*
The Judds, *All-Time Greatest Hits*
Sonny Landreth, *Recorded Live in Lafayette* (Also on Vinyl)
Origin, *Unparalleled Universe*
Stone Sour, *Hydrograd*
TLC, *TLC*
Stephen Wade, *Across the Amerikee*
ZZ Ward, *The Storm*

JULY 7

Black Grape, *Pop Voodoo*
Randall Bramblett, *Juke Joint at the Edge of the World*
HAIM, *Something to Tell You*
Gladys Knight & the Pips, *About Love (Expanded Edition)*
k.d. lang, *Ingenue (25th Anniversary Edition)* (Also on Vinyl)
Henry Mancini, *Mr. Lucky Goes Latin*
Charley Pride, *Music in My Heart*
Riverdogs, *California*
Boz Scaggs, *Moments and Other Roads (Expanded Editions)*
Ricky Skaggs, *Love's Gonna Get Ya!*

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SEAGAR’S, Sandestin
RAY HITCHELL, 6-9 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
BILL GARRETT, 6-9 p.m.

STINKY’S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS with FRANKO “WASHBOARD” JACKSON, 11 a.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 p.m.-Midnight

TREBEACHE, Santa Rosa Beach
BILL GARRETT – “SMILIN’” FRITZ FROESCHNER, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 10

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
BRANDON DAY, 6-10 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
KEVIN CARSON, 3-5 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
MOSE WILSON AND BEN PARSONS, 8 p.m.

THE GATHERING SPOT AT WATERCOLOR, Santa Rosa Beach
KYLE LaMONICA, 6 p.m.

THE HANGOUT, Orange Beach, AL
NEW EARTH ARMY, 6-10 p.m.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
JASON FINDLEY, 6-10 p.m.
Cat Shirt Monday

KC’S SANDBAR, Fort Walton Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 7-11 p.m.

POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 2-5 p.m.
DIKI ROSS, 6 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
DREAD CLAMPITT, 7-10 p.m.

SEAGAR’S, Sandestin
RAY HITCHELL, 6-9 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
JOHN HOORMANN, 6-9 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 11

AJ’S, Destin
LEX AND THE LUTHORS, 7 p.m.

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
Karaoke with TIM MORINELLI, 6-9 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
BLAKE BROCK, 5-9 p.m.

BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton
Open Mic Night, 8 p.m.

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 p.m.
CAMILLE’S, Destin,

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BLAKE GRIFFITHS, 3-5 p.m.

CHIRINGO, Santa Rosa Beach
CHRIS ALVARADO, 6 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Open Mic Night with MIKE INGRAM, 8 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD’S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
ED WRANN, Noon-4 p.m.

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com
VILLAGE BRASS BAND, 7 p.m.
Fat Tuesday

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
BRANDON DAY, 6-10 p.m.

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
WILL & LINDA, 5 p.m.

THE MARKET SHOPS, Sandestin
HUGH MITCHELL & THE HIGH TIDE, 5-7 p.m.
Pop & Shop Concerts

POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach
COCONUT RADIO, 6 p.m.

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.

SEAGAR’S, Sandestin
RAY HITCHELL, 6-9 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
BO ADAMS, 6-9 p.m.
Taco Tuesday

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 p.m.-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Open Mic Live, 7-10 p.m.

VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, baytownewharf.com
STEVIE HALL, 7-10 p.m.
Baytowne Live

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
ALEXA BURROUGHS, 5-9 p.m.

AJ’S OYSTER SHANTY, Okaloosa Island
Karaoke with TIM MORINELLI, 7:30-10:30 p.m.

AL’S BEACH CLUB, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, ALsBeachClub.com
THREE BEAN SOUP, 5-9 p.m.

BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton
Open Mic Night, 8 p.m.

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 p.m.

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, captdavesonthegulf.com
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 p.m.

FOKKER’S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 p.m.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CONTINUUM, 8 p.m.

HAMMERHEAD’S, Village of Baytowne Wharf
ED WRANN, Noon-4 p.m.

HOG’S BREATH, Destin
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6-10 p.m.

THE OTHER END, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 6 p.m.

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 p.m.

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach
Singer-Songwriter Open Mic

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 p.m.
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 p.m. (Courtyard)

SEASIDE AMPHITHEATER, Santa Rosa Beach
FUTURE THIEVES, 8 p.m.

STINKY’S BAIT SHACK, Santa Rosa Beach
NEIL SEBREE, 6-9 p.m.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 p.m.-Midnight

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PET OF THE ISSUE

Sangria

Submitted by Paula Hilton



Sangria, a mix of...—well, we're not sure, but we see some dachshund there, and she was described as a Chihuahua on the PAWS website—was rescued by Paula and Editor Manson a couple years ago. The PAWS staff had no idea about Sangria's history, but the smart little gal immediately taught her sister Taquila (also adopted around the same time from PAWS) how to use the stairs and doggie doors.



Sangria with her sister and BFF Taquila. As you can see, they sleep pretty much wherever they want. And often.

"Mom always asks Alexa, 'Is today Christmas?'" says Sangria. "I find it endearing, and I also love the homemade chicken treats Mom makes in the dehydrator."



Sangria, at poolside, howling. "This is something that has to be seen and heard to be believed," says Editor Manson.

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Events

All information is subject to change. Please refer to the contact numbers and/or emails/websites for up-to-the-minute details. Send us your July 13-26 events by 5 p.m. Thursday, **July 6**, or they will not be in our next issue. Please submit events in the format used here. Photos welcome. Email chris@beachcomberdestin.com.

July 4 – Get Your History on for Just Two Bucks

Take a break from the heat, and bring your family and friends to the Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida this **July 4**. Take advantage of \$2 admission from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Museum admission is FREE for members and children four and under.

View historic exhibits covering the military, Native American, pioneer and early industries including turpentine, boat building and fishing. Children can play in the hands-on Discover Room and stroll in the Paradise Gardens outdoor exhibit.

The Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida is located at 115 Westview Avenue



in Valparaiso. Call 850-678-2615 or visit www.heritage-museum.org for more info.

- Gina Marini

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

BIKE NIGHT

Emerald Coast Harley-Davidson, Fort Walton Beach, 6-9 p.m.

Chow down with the Warriors Wagon food truck, and enjoy dueling pianos. And, we're guessing, bikes.

MAGICAL THURSDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7 and 8 p.m.

www.BaytowneWharf.com

Join the ubiquitous pirate **Captain Davy** for two adventures on stage.

RED, WHITE & BLUE CELEBRATION

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-9:15 p.m.

www.EmeraldGrande.com

A salute to a local hero, plus presentation of the colors, WWII vintage air show, entertainment from **The Village Belles**, fireworks at 9, and fire spinning from **Just Add Fire**.

SATURDAY, JULY 1

FREEDOM PUB CRAWL

Downtown Fort Walton Beach, 5-10 p.m.

www.shop.downtownfwb.com

T-shirts for the first 100 crawlers. Wristbands are \$15. Ages 21 and older please.

GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Park, Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

www.GrandBoulevard.com

Dozens of unique vendors offer mostly locally-sourced food-based items. Specialty soaps and lotions are also for sale.

KIDS' SUMMER SAGAS – "U.S. DOCUMENTS"

Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso, 10:30 a.m.-Noon

850-678-2615

Special guest **Congressman Matt Gaetz** shares his role in government and provides a short civics lesson, and kids will learn about the history of the American flag and weave their own just in time for Independence Day. Cost is \$8 per child

(\$6 for museum members); one adult per family admitted FREE. Additional adults are \$3 each. Space is limited, so call and make your reservation. Visit www.heritage-museum.org for more info.

SUNDAY, JULY 2

INDUSTRY NIGHT

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 10 p.m.-Midnight

www.ALsBeachClub.com

Specials on Bud Light, plus \$3 fireballs.

SUNDAY, JULY 2-TUESDAY, JULY 4

FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND CELEBRATION

HarborWalk Village, Destin

www.EmeraldGrande.com

Live music every night and a fireworks spectacular Tuesday at 9:15 p.m. More in this issue's Live Music section.

MONDAY, JULY 3

HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

www.BaytowneWharf.com

Fly-board king **Ben Merrell** soars over the Baytowne lagoon and makes waves.

SMOKE ON THE COAST BBQ & FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

Destin Commons, 5-10 p.m.

www.DestinCommons.com



HarborWalk Village's Red, White & Blue Celebration recognizes Children in Crisis at a recent Thursday night ceremony. CIC built the Children's Neighborhood in Fort Walton Beach to give a home to at-risk children from the Florida Panhandle. Since opening the first home in 2008, CIC has given a loving home, and safety to over 740 children and kept all brother/sister sibling families together.

From left—Omar Wiseman, CIC Board of Advisors member; Laura Moore, CIC volunteer and events director; Dr. Judy Manning, CIC Neighborhood operations director; Ken Hair, CIC president and CEO; Judy Wiseman, CIC Board of Directors; Shaina Mathis, CIC office manager; and Allie Noah, CIC development director.

Seventeen area charities team up with various restaurants and 'que aficionados to fire up the grills. Attendees can sample from 6 to 8 for \$1 per sample and vote for the People's Choice honors. Plus—kids' activities, street performers, live music from **Triggerproof** and Beachcomber Music Award winners **Heritage**, and a fireworks extravaganza at 9:15.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

FIREWORKS AT THE BEACH

Pensacola Beach Boardwalk, 8:30 p.m.

Presented by the Pensacola Beach Chamber of Commerce.

FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

Seaside, Santa Rosa Beach, 8:30 p.m.

www.SeasideFL.com

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Landing Park, Fort Walton Beach, 4 p.m.

850-833-9575

The fun starts with live music from **Show Me Dragon**, followed by an opening ceremony with **Mayor Dick Ryneerson** and the Fort Walton Beach Police Department Honor Guard, plus **Reid Soria** of Autism Sings performing the national anthem. At 6:30, Atlanta's **NAKD** take the stage, and you'll want to stick around for the city's "most spectacular fireworks show yet." FREE with concessions available for purchase.

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

Seagrove Beach to Seaside, 8 a.m.

www.SeasideFL.com

GAME NIGHT

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 10 p.m.-Midnight

www.ALsBeachClub.com

Giant beer pong, hula hooping, corn holing, limbo and more.

RED, WHITE AND BAYTOWNE

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6-9 p.m.

www.BaytowneWharf.com

Lawn games, activities for the kids, live music from **Donovan Keith and the Funky Feat**, and a big ol' fireworks spectacular at 9:15 p.m.

TEEN NIGHT

Fudpucker's, Okaloosa Island, 9 p.m.-Midnight

www.fudpucker.com

For ages 14-17. Cost is \$15 per person, and VIP tickets are available.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

OKALOOSA ISLAND FIREWORKS

The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 p.m.

www.TheBoardwalkOI.com

Celebrate summer, and enter to win a three-day, two-night stay with ResortQuest Gulf Coast.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

MAGICAL THURSDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7 and 8 p.m.

www.BaytowneWharf.com

Join the ubiquitous pirate **Captain Davy** for two adventures on stage.

Events

PLANETARIUM NIGHTS

Emerald Coast Science Center, Fort Walton Beach, 5, 6 and 7 p.m.
An evening of cosmic excitement and adventure.

RED, WHITE & BLUE CELEBRATION

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-9:15 p.m.
www.EmeraldGrande.com
A salute to a local hero, plus presentation of the colors, WWII vintage air show, entertainment from **The Village Belles**, fireworks at 9, and fire spinning from **Just Add Fire**.

WINE TASTING

TASTE, Fort Walton Beach, 6-8 p.m.
Sample seven delicious wines and light tapas for only \$15 per person. Plus live jazz music.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

THE NOISE GUY

Fort Walton Beach Library, 2 p.m.

850-833-9590

"Inspiring noisemaker" **Charlie Williams** mimics everything from dripping water to jet engines and *Star Wars* light sabers.

SATURDAY, JULY 8

GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Park, Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
www.GrandBoulevard.com
Dozens of unique vendors offer mostly locally-sourced food-based items. Specialty soaps and lotions are also for sale.

SUNDAY, JULY 9

INDUSTRY NIGHT

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MONDAY, JULY 10

HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

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www.BaytowneWharf.com
Fly-board king **Ben Merrell** soars over the Baytowne lagoon and makes waves.

TUESDAY, JULY 11

BOOMIN' TUESDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9:30 p.m.
www.BaytowneWharf.com
Lawn games and inflatables in the Events Plaza, followed by a breathtaking fireworks show at 9:15.

COOKING WITH THE CHEF

Emerald Grande, HarborWalk Village, Destin, Noon
850-424-0622
Join Executive Chef **Jimmy McManus** (featured in last issue's Chefs Up Close) for an exciting interactive cooking class with lunch and a complimentary glass of wine. This month, it's coffee-crusted pork ribeye steaks with fig bourbon syrup. Cost is \$25—call to make your reservation.

FAT TUESDAY PARADE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-10 p.m.

www.EmeraldGrande.com

The Destin Harbor transforms into the Big Easy, with dazzling floats, colorful costumes and street performers. Live music from the **Village Brass Band** at 7 p.m. on the main stage, and fire spinning by **Just Add Fire** following the parade.

GAME NIGHT

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 10 p.m.-Midnight
www.ALsBeachClub.com
Giant beer pong, hula hooping, corn holing, limbo and more.

PETE THE CAT EXTRAVAGANZA

Destin Library, 3:30 p.m.
850-837-8572
The library celebrates James Dean and Eric Litwin's iconic children's book character with reading, singing, dancing, crafts and other activities. Limited to 10 children, grades 1 through 3—call the number above to preregister.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

OKALOOSA ISLAND FIREWORKS

The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 p.m.
www.TheBoardwalkOI.com
Celebrate summer, and enter to win a three-day, two-night stay with ResortQuest Gulf Coast.

Beachside Worship Services

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION EPISCOPAL CHURCH UECNA

1928 Book of Common Prayer Service, 10 a.m. Sundays, communion service second and fourth Sundays, morning prayer, first and third Sundays. 66 8th Street, Shalimar, 850-651-9800.

DESTIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND LIFE CENTER

Sunday services—beach service at Henderson State Park, Destin, 7:30 a.m. (bring your own chair); beach service at the Crab Trap, Scenic 98, 7:30 a.m. (bring your own chair); summer service at Destin Life Center, 200 Beach Drive, Destin, 10 a.m. (combined traditions and Xalt); sunset beach service at Henderson State Park, 6:30 p.m. (bring your own chair). 850-837-2021.

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday worship services: 8:45 and 11 a.m. Nursery and children's church is available. Wednesday bible study at 7 p.m. Located at 306 S. Geronimo St. in Miramar Beach, three blocks west of Silver Sands Outlet Mall. 850-837-7561.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DESTIN

Sunday bible study at 9:15 a.m., worship service at 10:30 a.m., prayer group at 5 p.m. Wednesday supper at 6 p.m., followed by youth-kids programs and bible study at 6:30. 201 Beach Drive, 850-837-6515.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEAGROVE

Sunday services at 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m. 4915 E Hwy. 30A, Seagrove, 850-231-2884.

GOOD NEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday services 8:50 a.m., traditional worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday school, 11 a.m., contemporary worship, 4747 Hwy 98W, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-9191.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sundays 8 a.m. worship, 9:15 bible study, 10:30 worship, 4325 Commons Drive, 850-654-1679.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Beach worship at 8 a.m. at Ed Walline Park, intersection of Scenic Highway 30A and CR-393, Santa Rosa Beach. Vintage service at 10:15 a.m. at 3834

U.S. 98 West. For more info, call Pastor Jason Scheler at 850-267-0322 or email **pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org**.

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday vigil mass, 5 p.m.; Sunday masses, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Daily liturgies, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.; Holy Days of Obligation, 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 9-10 a.m.; Confessions, Saturdays, 4-4:45 p.m. or by appointment. 259 Miramar Beach Dr., Destin, 850-837-0358.

SAFE HARBOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 10:30. 801 Airport Road, Destin, 850-837-2133.

SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday Vigil mass at 5:30 p.m. year round. Sunday services at 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Holy Day services, call the office please. 137 Moll Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, just off U.S. 98. 850-267-2558. **www.saintritaparish.org**.

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Interdenominational service 10 a.m. Sundays. 3524 Hwy. 98W, 850-267-7599.

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Rocker turned whiskey maker Tommy Brunett invites Beachcomber contributing writer Zandra Wolfgram to “play” with him between pouring samples of Brunett’s Iron Smoke Whiskey at the recent South Walton Beaches Wine & Food Festival. Brunett is a singer, songwriter and guitarist best known as a member of the British band Modern English (“I Melt With You”).

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Preserving the History of the World's Luckiest Fishing Village

By Samantha Lambert

There is a sign at the western end of Destin's Marler Bridge that states, "Welcome to Destin—The World's Luckiest Fishing Village." Honoring and preserving the history of the "luckiest fishing village" is the mission of the **Destin History & Fishing Museum**. The museum, located at 108 Stahlman Avenue, is a tourist destination and key historical repository for the Destin area.

The museum interprets the history and natural science of Destin from pre-history to the present day. The primary focus of the museum is on the early families that resided in the area prior to the construction of the Marler Bridge in 1936 and how they shaped the fishing and tourist industries of today's Destin.

The original Destin Fishing Museum, Inc. was established in 1985. It was located in the old Jitney Jungle grocery store building, the current location of the McGuire's shopping complex.

The museum operated there until 1996, when the property was sold. In 2003, a group of local residents and community leaders formed an organization that was dedicated to preserving the history of the Destin area. Memberships were sold, and the group was incorporated. The Destin Fishing Museum Foundation, Inc. was born.

In March of 2005, the City of Destin leased the original Destin Library building on Stahlman Avenue to the Destin History & Fishing Museum (the library got a brand new facility down

the road). The city continues to support the museum with a yearly lease of \$1.

In 2015, the City of Destin moved the Old Post Office Museum building to the property site of the museum. The Primrose seine boat was also moved there. A seine boat employs a method of fishing using a fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with its bottom edge held down by weights.

The legendary Primrose is said to have brought in more mullet than any other Destin seine boat. The boat was the dream of Captain John W. Melvin Sr. and was built by Captain John George Maltezo in 1925. It fished the Destin waters for 43 years.

Two years ago, the city gave the museum a former Senior Center room on the property, and this renovated space became the Destin Rodeo Gallery which opened in October 2015. The gallery is an exhibit and audio-visual presentation hall for the Destin Fishing Rodeo and can seat up to 50 people. Visitors can learn all about Destin's oldest fishing tournament here.

The museum has over 5,500 square feet of exhibit space and over 75 mounts of locally caught fish. There are historic photos, artifacts, fishing equipment and documents of early Destin and the fishing industry. Visitors can learn the science of Destin's geologically unique sand, as well as historical and genealogical data on the founding families of Destin.

There are many ways to experience the museum—self-guided tours, staff-led tours, self-guided audio tours with MP3



Destin History & Fishing Museum Director Kathy Marler Blue.

players and headsets, or utilizing QR codes on smartphones. Student and group tours are also available, and the museum is handicapped accessible.

Jean Melvin was the first director of the Destin History & Fishing Museum. Today, that position is filled by **Kathy Marler Blue**, who has been with the museum since June 2009. Blue was an elementary school teacher for 31 years before working here. "Everyone who comes through the door of the museum is a learner," she says. "To 'storytell' the history of Destin is important."

Blue explains that the focus of the museum now is to modernize and

update the technology. "We are working on making more exhibits hands-on for children and accessible for everyone," she says. Plans for this year include a commercial fishing exhibit, a digital artifact inventory system, an exhibit housing early church history and stained glass, and a Science of Fish hands-on exhibit for children.

Blue is assisted by associate director Tarra Wixom.

The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is closed Sunday and Monday. Discover more at **www.destinhistoryandfishingmuseum.org**.



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EDUCATIONAL

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FARMERS' MARKETS

30A FARMERS' MARKETS Two convenient locations. Contact Diane at 850-499-4697 for more info.

- **GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS’ MARKET AT SANDESTIN** 600 Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach. Saturdays year-round, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- **30A FARMERS’ MARKET IN ROSEMARY BEACH COMMUNITY** Sundays year-round, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day), 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

GOLF

REGATTA BAY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB This award-winning 18-hole course offers an extraordinary golfing experience for players of all skill levels and was named one of *Golf Digest’s* Top Places to Play. Equipment rental available. 465 Regatta Bay Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8080. www.regattabay.com.

SANTA ROSA GOLF & BEACH CLUB Referred to as the “Purest golf in the Florida Panhandle” by *Golf Magazine*, this 18-hole, par 72 course offers five sets of tees and a challenge for every skill level of handicap. Situated on 80 pristine acres in the heart of Santa Rosa Beach, this course has a unique character only found around the Highway 30A corridor. Holes three through five wind around a complex of dunes, all within a few hundred yards of the Gulf of Mexico. Dining, driving range, putting green and club rentals available. 334 Golf Club Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-2229. www.santarosaclub.com.

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sea lions play during spectacular shows! Or participate and interact directly with these and other remarkable marine animals including stingrays, seals and penguins during interactive programming (advance reservations required). Enjoy educational exhibits and beautiful Gulf views. Open daily at 9 a.m. 1010 Miracle Strip Parkway SE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-243-9046. www.gulfarium.com.

MUSEUMS

DESTIN HISTORY & FISHING MUSEUM Open year round, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call for holiday hours of operation. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and military and \$3 for children. 108 Stahlman Avenue, Destin, 850-837-6611.

INDIAN TEMPLE MOUND MUSEUM Artifacts and displays showing the rich Indian history of this area. 139 Hwy. 98SE, FWB, 850-833-9595.

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PARKS & PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS

BEASLEY WAYSIDE PARK Picnic tables, public beach area, barbecue grills, bathhouse, and restrooms. Gulf side of Okaloosa Island, Hwy. 98W.

BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK NW of FWB off Hwy. 90. You can catch sight of lots of wildlife while camping, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. Milton, 850-983-5363.

BLUE MOUNTAIN BEACH Public parking for this access is located at the south end of CR-83 and Scenic Highway 30-A.

BRACKIN WAYSIDE PARK Gulf side of Okaloosa Island on Hwy. 98W. Facilities include restaurants, saloons, children’s playground, beach volleyball, three beach accesses, showers, public restrooms, and picnic table.

CAMP HELEN STATE PARK offers hiking, birding, beachcombing, swimming, fishing, canoeing and kayaking along with nine historic buildings. Located at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (U.S. 98), 12 miles east of 331, seven miles west of Highway 79. 850-233-5059.

CESSNA BAY Picnic tables, parking, rest rooms and boat access. 1476 N. CR-393.

CLEMENT E. TAYLOR CITY PARK This park is named after one of Destin’s early settlers and is on Choctawhatchee Bay. Chock full of shade trees, there are picnic areas and restrooms, but no camping. Destin, off Calhoun Avenue.

DUNE ALLEN In Dune Allen beach this access has parking, but no bathrooms, showers or picnic area. 5753 Hwy 30-A W., Santa Rosa Beach.

ED WALLINE A large public beach access in South Walton, providing handicapped

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EDEN GARDENS STATE PARK An historic homestead under majestic, moss-draped oaks with a home surrounded by lawns and seasonal gardens. Tours of the home are Thursday through Monday hourly beginning at 10 a.m. with the last tour at 3 p.m. The park and picnic areas are open daily from 8 a.m. to sunset and located on CR-395 north off Hwy 98 in Point Washington. Call 850-231-4214 for more information.

GRAYTON BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA Camping, picnics, hiking, swimming, saltwater fishing, and boating. Showers and electricity are part of the amenities. Access from S. Hwy. 30-A, South Walton, 850-267-8300.

GRAYTON DUNES Handicapped and public parking plus beach access. Behind the Red Bar in Grayton Beach.

GULF SHORE MANOR Public restrooms, handicapped and public parking. 3468 E. Hwy 30-A, Seagrove Beach.

GULFVIEW HEIGHTS Located at the end of Gulfview Heights St, behind Goatfeather’s restaurant, this access offers parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

HENDERSON BEACH STATE PARK This park has it all: camping, swimming area sheltered picnic areas, grills, and restrooms. But there is no boat ramp and jet skis and other personal watercraft are prohibited. 17000 Hwy. 98W, Destin, 850-837-7550.

INLET BEACH This area offers handicapped and public parking, restrooms and dune walkovers to the beach. 438 S. Orange St. in Inlet Beach.

LEGION BAY Picnic tables, public parking, boat ramp and restrooms. Intersection of Ponce de Leon and Crest Dr, 191 Crest Dr, Sandestin.

MARIER MEMORIAL PARK Public beach area, picnic tables, barbecue grills, boat ramp, restrooms and bathhouse. Bay side of Okaloosa Island, off Santa Rosa Blvd.

MIRAMAR BEACH ACCESS Parking with public beach access. Scenic Hwy 98 and Driftwood Road, adjacent to Pompano Joe’s.

TOPSAIL HILL STATE PRESERVE Two major freshwater coastal dune lakes are located within the 1,600-acre preserve. Campground entrance and day use entrance are located on West Scenic Highway 30-A, 1/4 mile south of U.S. 98. 850-267-0299. www.floridastateparks.org/topsailhill.

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Marinella Monk's Eternal Love Story

"This book is intended to inspire and bring hope to my readers, as I truly believe there is a better place for all of us, within ourselves and in the universe, here on earth and in the heavens, where love has no barriers."

- Marinella Monk M.D.,
from *Heaven Rediscovered*

Dr. Marinella Monk, who was kind enough to send *Beachcomber* a copy of her first novel, *Heaven Rediscovered*, was a staff member at Sacred Heart Hospital until her recent retirement.

She and her husband Robert came to the Destin area in 2002 from Houston, Texas, where Monk served as medical director at the Houston Rehabilitation Institute for nine years. During that period, she experienced "a very exciting and busy medical practice, but I soon found out that it did not leave much time for a personal life. Coming to Destin was a decision that fulfilled my expectations, offering a quality of life that one can only dream of."

Before embarking on her medical career, Monk studied and learned

to play the harp. "Music has always been part of my life, even if I could not play as often as I would have loved," she says. "Following the Conservatoire in Paris, where I am from, I enrolled in medicine and completed a doctorate in medicine at the University Lariboisiere-St. Louis." She specialized in sports medicine and pain medicine and spent three-plus years in private practice. In 1986, she came to the United States.

"I first started writing books at the request of some of my patients, who asked me to share some of my words of encouragement we had during our conversations with other people that might find help as well," says Monk. "I must say that many of my patients who suffered from devastating injuries spent...weeks and months in the hospital, and during these trying long days and nights of their recovery, doctor-patient relationships were very important for all of us.

"Going through the lows and the heights of medical concerns and intense emotions, the battle of rebuilding a new life and many times a new person, (turned out) to be a very rewarding journey for the patients and their families, as well as a very humbling and enriching experience for myself."

Monk's first two books, *You Are Not Alone* and *Gentle Therapy*, are motivational. *Heaven Rediscovered* (subtitled "An Eternal Love Story") represented a new challenge for the author—it's her first fictional work. "It is a love story, and the two main characters, Isabelle and Gérard, will take the reader into their life adventure with unexpected drama, places and events," she says.

She took on some existential inquiries in the novel—the reasons for our



Marinella Monk, M.D.
Photo courtesy of the author.

lives on earth, our destiny after our physical demise, and the connections between life as we know it now and in Heaven. Also—is love immortal? Is there a God? And why is violence and suffering tolerated?

"Writing *Heaven Rediscovered*, I attempted to introduce my own ideas answering to these questions, at times with some images suggested by patients that shared with me their own experiences," says Monk. She adds that the book is intended to bring hope and uplift readers' spirits "to dream that there can be Heaven on earth if we humans make the right choices, and that we can find our Heaven here on earth within ourselves, or in higher realms, where love has no barriers."

Heaven Rediscovered is available at local bookstores and online. You can also download a copy at the usual ebook providers.

Recommended Reading

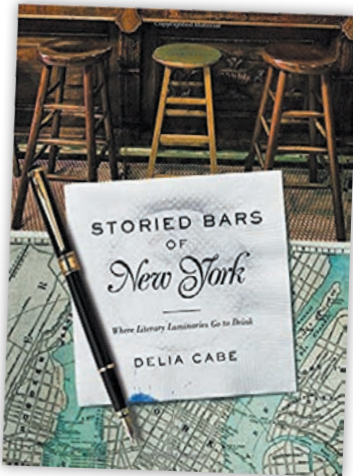
Delia Cabe

Storied Bars of New York: Where Literary Luminaries Go to Drink

The Countryman Press

Storied Bars of New York is a breezily written, handsomely illustrated history and guidebook to 34 New York saloons, extant and extinct, frequented by America's major league writer/boozers. Cabe is enamored of the Golden Age 20th century writers. You'll find anecdotes about Scott and Zelda, Hemingway, Dylan Thomas and Dorothy Parker. She delves back earlier than Prohibition, including Civil War-era haunts of writers like Walt Whitman—a modest drinker who preferred people-watching. In addition to histories of the bars, she includes cocktail recipes. I was proud to learn that I had refreshed myself at six of the places listed.

- Bruce Collier



Ransom Riggs

Tales of the Peculiar

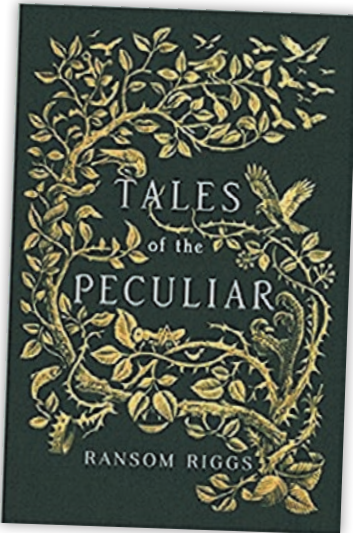
Illustrations by Andrew Davidson
Dutton

Tales of the Peculiar is a spinoff from the *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* series. But don't dismiss it for child's fare alone, any more than you would the Grimms' *marchen*. *Tales* doesn't feature the cast of peculiar (read: "paranormally gifted") children of Miss Peregrine's place, but it does have the same gritty, delicious creepiness.

These 10 pseudo-folk tales start with "The Splendid Cannibals," the theme of which is "transactional cannibalism." To wit, three travelers ride into Swampmuck, a simple village of Peculiars. The travelers are sumptuously attired but starving. The village folks offer food, but the travelers, by nature, can only subsist on human flesh. Finally, because of a recent accident, farmer Hayworth exchanges a recently lost leg for gold. As it turns out, Peculiars' can regenerate lost appendages, and soon more hungry anthropophagous travelers come. Before long, they and the Peculiars are doing a brisk trade in Peculiar flesh, and it all works out quite oddly.

There are nine more—some curiously heart-warming, some bizarrely enlightening, all too peculiar to tweet about.

- Wynn Parks



UPCOMING BOOKS

JUNE 20

Linda Ly and Will Taylor, *The New Camp Cookbook: Gourmet Grub for Campers, Road Trippers and Adventurers* (Paperback)

JULY 4

Robert Beatty, *Serafina and the Splintered Heart*
Julie Garwood, *Wired*
Robert Kiyosaki and the Rich Dad Team, *More Important Than Money: An Entrepreneur's Team* (Paperback)
Robert Kiyosaki and Tom Wheelwright, *Why the Rich Are Getting Richer* (Paperback)
Matthew Klam, *Who Is Rich?*

JULY 11

David Bell, *Bring Her Home*
Chris Colfer, *The Land of Stories: Worlds Collide*
Maria Emmericah, *Keto Restaurant Favorites* (Paperback)
Brian Hardin, *Sneezing Jesus: How God Redeems Our Humanity* (Paperback)
Chris McDonnell and Rebecca Sugar, *Steven Universe: Art & Origins*
Daniel Silva, *House of Spies*
Fiske Guide to Colleges 2018 (Paperback)

Sources: www.amazon.com

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To submit, email **KiteFilmFest@gmail.com** with a downloadable link, a brief description, running time, and the filmmaker's contact information.

The deadline for submission is **Sept. 1, 2017**. Shorts will be reviewed by a committee, and then the selections will be notified and screened as part of Kite Film Fest.

Kite Film Fest is a **FREE** public event, happening **Nov. 11** at Club LA in Destin.

Stay tuned for an announcement about all-ages submissions. Thanks for supporting this event, local filmmakers, and our creative community.

- 850 Music & Entertainment

STREAM ON

Crashing
Netflix



Crashing is a new-to-Netflix British comedy written by Phoebe Waller-Bridge, the force behind *Fleabag*. Waller-Bridge stars as Lulu, a crass free spirit who surprises her childhood best friend Anthony and moves into a spare room in the abandoned hospital in London where he lives as a property guardian with his prudish fiancée and other characters who feed off each other's immature habits. The property guardians deal with sex, jobs, and relationships under the omnipresent threat of eviction. *Crashing* plays with unlikability, tension, and comedic calamity to tell a poignant story about jealousy and instability.

- Jane Morgan

Silicon Valley
HBO



Mike Judge is a co-creator and sometime-director of this HBO series currently in its fifth season, which helps explain why this comedy is one of the few on TV that's actually funny. Plus the scripts are well written, detailing the story of a group of lovable (and laughable) techie nerds and their ongoing efforts to hit the big time via various app creations and ongoing wooing of venture capitalists. Though this season is the first without the outspoken, weed-smoking, wife-borrowing Erlich Bachmann (T.J. Miller)—who could always be counted on for some major LOLs—Jimmy O. Yang's role has been wisely stepped up from recurring to regular, taking him from hilarious house-squatting roommate to bungling food app developer. HBO's traditional cable channel debuts new episodes every Sunday, but prior shows are available via the HBO Go or HBO Now apps. They're all worth checking out.

- Joni Williams

Movies

OPENING SOON IN THEATERS

JUNE 28

Baby Driver. Ansel Elgort, Jamie Foxx, Jon Hamm, Kevin Spacey.

Pop Aye. A Bangkok architect reconnects with the elephant he knew and loved as a child.

JUNE 30

The B-Side: Elsa Dorfman's Portrait Photography. New from acclaimed documentarian Errol Morris.

Despicable Me. The Minions are back. Parents, you've been warned.

The House. Will Ferrell, Amy Poehler.

JULY 7

City of Ghosts. Matthew Heineman's acclaimed documentary about citizen journalists standing up to ISIS.

A Ghost Story. Casey Affleck, Rooney Mara.

Spider-Man: Homecoming. The latest Marvel Comics reboot.

Source: www.metacritic.com

UPCOMING DVD/BLU-RAY/VOD RELEASES

JULY 4

Drone. Sean Bean, Patrick Sabongui.

Song to Song. Rooney Mara, Ryan Gosling, Michael Fassbender, Natalie Portman; directed by Terrence Malick.

The Zookeeper's Wife. Jessica Chastain, Johan Heldenbergh, Daniel Bruhl.

JULY 11

Billy Jack: The Complete Collection. Tom Laughlin's *Born Losers*, *Billy Jack*, *The Trial of Billy Jack* and *Billy Jack Goes to Washington* land on Blu-ray.



The Fate of the Furious. Dwayne Johnson, Jason Statham, Vin Diesel, Ludacris, Michelle Rodriguez, Charlize Theron, Kurt Russell.

The Lost City of Z. Charlie Hunnam, Sienna Miller, Robert Pattinson.

A Quiet Passion. Portrait of the poet Emily Dickinson as a young schoolgirl.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

LOCAL FILM SCREENINGS

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

"THE SECRET LIFE OF PETS"

Seaside, Santa Rosa Beach, 8 p.m.

SeasideFL.com

FREE presentation of the movie that dares to ask, "Wonder what they do all day?"

SATURDAY, JULY 1

"BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"

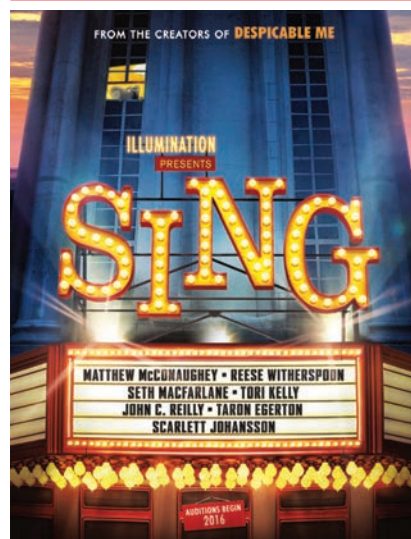
Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach, 7:30 p.m.

(or Dark, Whichever Comes First)

UptownStation.com

Grab your lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy a FREE outdoor presentation Disney's recent live action redo of the beloved story.

SUNDAY, JULY 2



"SING"

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 8 p.m.

BaytowneWharf.com

Celebrate singing with this FREE screening on the Events Plaza lawn.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

"SING"

Seaside, Santa Rosa Beach, 8 p.m.

SeasideFL.com

Another FREE presentation, in case you missed it Sunday night.

SUNDAY, JULY 9

"STORKS"

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 8 p.m.

BaytowneWharf.com

Celebrate the great myth of baby making with this FREE screening on the Events Plaza lawn.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

"FIREHOUSE DOG"

Camp Helen State Park, Panama City Beach, 5:30 p.m.

Movies & More in the park's recreation hall, with a brief interpretive program led by a Camp Helen park ranger or other authority. The program is followed by an old-fashioned campfire cookout (hot dogs, s'mores). Parent or guardian must accompany all children. Call 850-233-5059 or email CampHelenFriends@gmail.com for more info.

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Stage

EC Theatre Company Expands Children's Summer Camp Series

Due to popular demand, Emerald Coast Theatre Company (ECTC)—a nonprofit professional theater company founded in Miramar Beach in 2012 by Nathanael and Anna Fisher—is adding another offering to its 2017 Children's Summer Theater Camp Series, bringing the total to 14 programs offered throughout the Northwest Florida Gulf Coast.

The new offering is *Treasure Island* and will be held **July 17-21** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bay Elementary in Santa Rosa Beach. It is open to grades 2 through 8 and is \$170 per person.

Other upcoming programs include Gulf Coast State College in Panama City **July 24-28** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Extended drop off/pickup is available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuition is \$150.

Disney's "Cinderella Kids" Musical Theater Camp (for grades 3 through

9) will be held **July 10-29** at ECTC's Grand Boulevard location, weekdays only from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuition is \$425.

This three-week camp gives ECTC instructors time with young thespians to train them with stage presence, acting techniques and theater games. Poor Cinderella is endlessly mistreated by her wicked stepmother and stepsisters and denied a chance to go to the royal ball. With a little help from her mice friends—and a lot of help from her Fairy Godmother—Cinderella's dreams come true. Final performances are the Friday evening and Saturday morning of the last week of camp. Bring water, snack and a lunch each day.

For the full schedule, more information or to register, call 850-684-0323 or visit **www.EmeraldCoastTheatre.org**.

- Zandra Wolfgram

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THURSDAY, JUNE 29

ACT4MURDER’S “MUSCLING IN ON MURDER”

Stripes Pub, Navarre, 7 p.m.

www.act4murder.com

Paula Hilton and her award-winning cast introduce the latest in exercise equipment, and your funny bone is guaranteed to get a workout. Cost is \$40 per person and includes dinner, show, tax and gratuity. VIP packages available.

AWKWARD OXEN IMPROV HOUR

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 a.m.

www.LoveTheREP.com

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AWKWARD OXEN LATE NITE IMPROV COMEDY

The REP Theatre, Seaside, 10 p.m.

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EMERALD COAST THEATRE COMPANY’S “TAMING OF THE SHREW”

Grand Park, Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 8 p.m.

www.EmeraldCoastTheatre.org

FREE performance of the Shakespearean classic with a comic bent.

ILLUSIONIST JEANETTE ANDREWS

The REP Theatre, Seaside, 2 and 6 p.m.

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HYPNOSIS GONE WILD – ADULT COMEDY SHOW

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 9:30 p.m.

TheSTOKEDShow.com

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FRIDAY, JULY 30

HYPNOSIS GONE WILD – ADULT COMEDY SHOW

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 9:30 p.m.

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“STOKED: A MUSICAL COMEDY HYPNOSIS SHOW”

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 6 p.m.

TheSTOKEDShow.com

SATURDAY, JULY 1

KADAN BART ROCKETT & BROOKLYN

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 7:30 p.m.

www.DestinMagic.com

“STOKED: A MUSICAL COMEDY HYPNOSIS SHOW”

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 9:30 p.m.

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SUNDAY, JULY 2

KADAN BART ROCKETT & BROOKLYN

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 7:30 p.m.

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“STOKED: A MUSICAL COMEDY HYPNOSIS SHOW”

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MONDAY, JULY 3

ADVENTURES IN ALYS

Alys Beach, 10 a.m.

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FREE show for all ages.

KADAN BART ROCKETT & BROOKLYN

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 7:30 p.m.

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Seaside Amphitheater, Santa Rosa Beach, 6:30 p.m.

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TUESDAY, JULY 4

THE COMPLETE HISTORY OF AMERICA (ABRIDGED)

Seaside Amphitheater, Santa Rosa Beach, 8 a.m.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

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The REP Theatre, Seaside, 2 p.m.

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“STOKED: A MUSICAL COMEDY HYPNOSIS SHOW”

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 6 p.m.

TheSTOKEDShow.com

“THE TALES OF KING ARTHUR”

North Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach, 6:30 p.m.,

www.LoveTheREP.com

FREE show for all ages.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

ACT4MURDER’S “KILLER IN THE KITCHEN”

Fudpucker’s, Okaloosa Island, 7 p.m.

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SATURDAY, JULY 8

HYPNOSIS GONE WILD – ADULT COMEDY SHOW

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TheSTOKEDShow.com

KADAN BART ROCKETT & BROOKLYN

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 7:30 p.m.

www.DestinMagic.com

SUNDAY, JULY 9

KADAN BART ROCKETT & BROOKLYN

Bart Rockett Theater, HarborWalk Village, 7:30 p.m.

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MONDAY, JULY 10

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Deer Season in Kentucky

*By Jenna Taylor
Photos by Hunter Forbes*

There are numerous things that need to be done before the fall deer season. Every year, you must prepare by setting up new stands, putting up and checking cameras, shooting your bow and/or sighting in your gun. The list goes on.

If you like to travel to other states and hunt, this is also a prime time to book your deer hunt. That involves sending in your deposit, booking your flight or getting travel arrangements in line.



As a hunter, my personal goal is to hunt in a different state each year. It allows me to grow as a hunter and introduces me to new environments. This week we are going to highlight an outfitter in Western Kentucky. At an only eight-hour drive from Destin, it is a convenient and great spot to book your hunt. It's also an hour-and-a-half from Nashville if you'd rather fly.

They offer both deer and turkey hunting in the best county in the state. In the past few years, the county has produced 200-plus-inch free-range deer. This is because of the almost perfect mixture of water sources, agriculture and thickly covered woods. These guys ensure that the deer herd is well fed and have very low pressure.

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Real Estate Answers

What's the State of Commercial Real Estate in Destin?

This issue, **Kerry Veach**, co-owner of RE/MAX Southern Real Estate, and **Jerry Sullivan** of Century 21 Blue Marlin Real Estate address the actual numbers of the current commercial property conditions.

Veach has been a licensed real estate broker in Florida and Alabama for over 22 years and is a member of the RE/MAX Hall of Fame.

Sullivan has been involved in commercial and residential real estate for over 14 years, including management, construction and ownership of a successful real estate company here on the Emerald Coast.

Beachcomber readers are encouraged to submit real estate questions to **chris@beachcomberdestin.com**.

By Kerry Veach, RE/MAX Southern Real Estate

Commercial real estate is a hot market in Destin. I've gotten a lot more inquiries this year from investors who are looking for income-producing real estate. Commercial real estate websites like LoopNet are driving investors, and they're looking at our market with unprecedented interest. They lean toward commercial real estate spaces that are already leased and generate at least an eight percent capitalization rate.

Currently, the Emerald Coast Multiple Listing Service (MLS) has 58 commercial properties, ranging from a single office to connected retail spaces. Of those, twelve are already sold and closed or pending, for a total of \$16.3 million.

Right now, Old South Centre in Destin is a prime example of what investors are looking for in commercial real estate. Located right on Emerald Coast Parkway, it's a five-acre property with six office buildings, three warehouses, and is 93 percent leased.

By Jerry Sullivan, Century 21 Blue Marlin Real Estate

I'm encouraged by the state of commercial real estate.

In the past 12 months, we've seen 33 sold commercial properties and four pending sales, and 26 lease and two pending leases in the commercial sector. Our area's year-round season makes the market very appealing to companies looking to take advantage of the high foot traffic.

Doreen Baca with our "PURE" sales teams provided this Five Retail Trends of the Current Market list which could be important for you to understand when making commercial real estate decisions.

1. Redevelopment and Repositioning. With large retail chains such as Macy's announcing store closures, many shopping center owners have to deal with the loss of anchor stores. Some have announced creative ways of dealing with the vacant space, such as adding restaurants, small shops or entertainment venues. We've also seen some shopping centers add open-air shopping promenades.

2. Special Experiences. Customers no longer want to just shop—they want experiences. Retail landlords are responding by adding routine events such as farmers markets, Friday night movies and outdoor fitness. Some even go so far as to add major experience elements such as a bowling alley. The longer a customer is inclined to stay around

Kerry Veach continued...

The tenants include doctors, attorneys, and consultants, and they provide stable income. Plus, they present a low rollover risk and simultaneously share a mutual interest with the investor—to boost the property's value to increase business.

In fact, Old South Centre is already at an eight percent cap rate. The caliber of the tenants and customers Destin attracts is a prime motivation for investors to seek commercial real estate here.

Additionally, tracts of land are piquing investors' interest. In fact, most of the high-end sales are tracts of land intended for future development of office buildings and retail space. These tracts range from a half-acre lot to multiple-acre plots.

Ultimately, investors look to experienced local realtors at RE/MAX Southern to guide them to sound investments in Destin's commercial real estate market.



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Jerry Sullivan continued...

a particular mall, the more likely it is that he or she will purchase there.

3. Expansion. Yes, we've heard a lot about stores closing, but many retailers are in expansion mode. Off-price stores like Burlington are thriving, while specialty grocers, health and wellness businesses, home goods stores and fast-casual restaurants are growing and taking new space as well.

4. Technology. Big data. Artificial intelligence. Beacon technology. Projection mapping. Get familiar with these terms. Technology helps retailers better understand their customers, and helps customers shop more efficiently.

5. Omni-channel. Brick-and-mortar retailers are getting smarter, utilizing omni-channel retailing to better compete with online sellers. This is when retail integrates different methods of shopping available to consumers (e.g., online, in a physical store, or by phone).

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William “Bill” McCowen



Bill McCowen in Korea, 1952...

For nearly two decades, **Lieutenant Colonel William “Bill” McCowen** served his country as an Air Force Pilot, but he gave a lot more of his time than that.

McCowen “officially” flew 697 U.S. Combat Missions, something that no one else has ever done. In 1952, he survived a catastrophic aircraft crash where, as a passenger, he was thrown through the forward nose window of a crash-landing B-29, and propelled 200 feet from where the crumpled fuselage ended its journey.

In Vietnam, the daring pilot chose flying over his toenails, because the medicine to heal the fungus and save his nails would have grounded him from his mission responsibilities.

Being on the ground in Italy during WWII and later facing the challenges of low-flying bombing missions in Korea, transporting troops and supplies in Vietnam and during the Cuban missile crisis, and being tasked with the possibility of delivering nuclear warheads directly to Moscow, only one thing could end McCowen’s Air Force career.

“It was 1969,” recalls the now 91 years “young” McCowen, “and these three colonels from the



...and today.

Pentagon came to Hurlburt to discuss a promotion of sorts. There was a violent uprising in South Africa, and they requested I lead a mission to squelch the rebellion. It would mean a promotion to full colonel and a position at the Pentagon after the mission.”

After a short pause, “Well, when I discussed it with Beverly (his wife of 64 years), her answer was short and to the point. ‘Bill, you have survived three wars, that’s enough. You are not going anywhere!’ That’s when my civilian life started.”

The country lost a war hero, but our community gained a hero neighbor. A member of the Niceville First United Methodist Church, McCowen led bible study at his home, volunteered with a local prison ministry, and mentored young, underprivileged urban children from New York in a program called Fresh Air Kids. And those are just a few examples of the things McCowen did in his daily strive to “just do the right thing.”

He also fostered several successful businesses that brought jobs and homes to our community. As a realtor and homebuilder, he moved the first family into Bluewater Bay and built over 500 homes on

the Emerald Coast. McCowen also opened the first Oil and Lube east of the Mississippi River at Mary Esther Cut-Off, and still gives away oil changes to the Crispy Warriors and charitable groups in our area. He created an international electronics company and a manufacturing group that supplied Walmart and Disney with goods, and now he is part of a group working on an alternate energy source.

These endeavors have brought hundreds of jobs to our area over the past five decades, along with international recognition for the Panhandle.

“Dad is a wellspring of inspiration and encouragement,” says **Clint McCowen**, the youngest of Bill’s three sons. “And yet, when you speak of his accomplishments, he will almost always say, ‘Ah, I didn’t do anything special.’”

We and thousands of *Beachcomber* readers would disagree with you, Lt. Col. McCowen. You are a very special hero to our community and our country.

Submissions for this feature are welcome. Send your candidate’s name and contact info to chris@beachcomberdestin.com.

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Dewey Destin's Drive, Walk or Sail in for Great Seafood

Visitors ask me about where to get fresh seafood, casual surroundings and a local feel. Plenty of restaurants around here have great fresh seafood, but finding a place with a genuinely casual, non-touristy atmosphere is another story. Plenty of restaurants attempt it, but it often comes across as gimmicky and contrived. There are exceptions.

Dewey Destin Seafood bears a venerable local name, and the restaurant on Calhoun Avenue (there's another one located on the harbor) is about as authentic as it gets. This is not staged—the restaurant is a one-story structure on the water, with dining inside at picnic tables and outside under umbrella-shaded tables on the docks. You can drive in, walk in off the street, or come ashore from your watercraft. We drove in, dining early on a recent weekend. We hoped to beat the rush. We did, barely.

Inside, the restaurant is plainly furnished (but clean and well-maintained), with a sign pointing diners to the order counter. There are some framed photos and mementos on the walls. They have printed menus, but when the line is forming, it's a good idea to read your choices off the blackboards hanging over the counter. Saves time. The menu offers appetizers, grilled or fried baskets, salads, steamer meals, sandwiches, kids meals, and a we-cook-your-catch option for successful fishermen (\$10.95

per guest, up to a pound of fish per person).

The staff looked calm, organized and very experienced. Everyone had a task, orders were short and precise, and there were large trays of iced fish and shrimp glistening only a few feet away from us hungry customers.

We'd left our tackle at home, so we ordered off the wall. We started off with an appetizer bowl of gumbo. My six-year-old daughter Grace (the Tiny Diner) ordered a kids meal of fried shrimp with fries and a hushpuppy. My wife ordered a basket of fried shrimp and I chose a basket of fried scallops, both with slaw, fries and pups.

You place and pay for your order at the counter, and fill your own soft drinks from a fountain (they also have beer and wine). They gave us the gumbo, took our name and said the food would be out shortly.

I was prepared to wait a bit. The line was growing, tables were filling, and we just snagged one near an open window, the better to catch a breeze, and for TD to stand on her seat and wave to the minnows in the shallows just below the window.

The tables are set with a roll of paper towels, and squeeze bottles of ketchup and prepared cocktail sauce. I took this as a good sign that the kitchen had faith in its own seasoning. The bowl of



gumbo was large enough to share, and was full of shrimp in a thick, tomatoey and pretty spicy stock, over steamed rice. I was taking frequent pulls at my soft drink by the time we finished.

All three entrees were fresh out of the fryer. After waiting a few seconds, we began. Both my wife's and TD's shrimp were large, tail on, fried crisp but not buried in breading. My scallops (10 in all) were large, juicy and sweet as I like them. I sampled a shrimp—could have sampled more—and sneaked the crunchy tails off the ladies' plates. Most people throw them away, but when they're fried crisp in a light batter, they're like shrimp little potato chips. Don't judge—you'd have been tempted too.

Also worth a mention are the hushpuppies. Crisp fried, they were fluffy inside and seasoned with small slices of okra. Yeah.

Other fish and seafood choices include yellow fin tuna, market fish, soft shell crab, oysters, crab cakes, crab legs, royal reds, stuffed shrimp, chicken and hamburgers. There's also crab claws, crab dip, smoked tuna dip, and buffalo fried shrimp.

Desserts include key lime pie, Butterfinger pie, and some specials. We passed this time.

I went inside to refill my drink. Some staffers were giving driving directions to some out-of-town customers. That's the way to get return business, I thought.

After we'd paid, TD had to travel onto the docks to check out the marine life and pet a diner's dog. We were walking back toward the restaurant when I heard my name called. I turned to see some friends of mine heading toward the dock in a boat. They'd been out fishing.

Life was good. Right down to the shrimp tails.

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Striking Gold at Uncle Buck's Bar

By Joni Williams

Mother Nature tried to interfere with our visit **Uncle Buck's** in Destin Commons. Our original plan was to hit them up during a slow time in the afternoon when many would-be bowlers would be at the beach. Only it rained, big time. We arrived to find a packed house with the line to sign up for a lane stretching out the door.

But we know a secret about Uncle Buck's. Towards the rear of the house, in between the rows of alleys, there's a good-sized freestanding bar. Even if it was so crowded it was standing room only, at least we could snag a drink instead of simply waiting in a long line. Lo and behold, after elbowing our way through the throng of waiting bowlers, we found the bar flanked with only a few patrons. Take that, Mother Nature.

Not only were there plenty of available seats, a friendly bartender informed us happy hour, which runs daily from 3 to 5 p.m., was in full swing. Score! That meant margaritas were priced at a mere three bucks and a duo of wine by the glass, \$5.95. Better yet, brews were \$2.12 for a pint of draft domestic or \$5.30 for a tall 23-ouncer. And we're not talking PBR, either. Bud, Bud Light, Mich Ultra and Miller Lite were all up for grabs at happy hour prices.

But wait, there's more. As in, there were way more brews to choose from at regular prices. Though they've discontinued their craft selections since the last time we were there, they now have an expanded bottle selection that currently includes Corona, Sam Adams, Shock Top, PBR, Coors, Mich, Miller, Bud, Busch and O'Douls. There was still more on tap, including Blue



Moon, Stella and Yuengling lager, an amber beer we're fond of due to its depth of flavor. It's a classic, sure, but offers way more balanced malty-hoppy goodness than a standard run-of-the-mill brand.

As tempting as the happy hour priced brews were, we opted for a bottled **Sam Adams Rebel IPA**. We're not above a little craft snobbery from time to time, but we freely admit we like Sam Adams' line. It's IPAs we're kind of picky about.

But we struck gold with this one. Or coppery gold, which is the color it would have poured if we hadn't opted to drink it straight from the well-chilled bottle. It tasted of hopped-up malt that was complemented with a subtle but super delish kind of spiciness as well as some fruitiness. It finished with a hit of bitters, the signature of most IPAs. Overall, we found the Rebel to be an exceptionally fresh tasting and well-balanced ale that went down easy and smooth.

Besides a boatload of beer and libations, Uncle Buck's offers a full food menu

that's surprisingly innovative. Oh sure, they have typical bowling fare like nachos, burgers and pizza, but there are plenty of innovative eats, too, including hand breaded alligator, smoked wahoo dip, alligator mac and cheese and Islamorada fish, complete with grilled shrimp lobster cream sauce. Most entrees and sandwich platters are priced in the low to mid teens, maxing out at 23 dollars for a ribeye steak.

Lanes here can only be rented and cost just under 35 bucks an hour, not including shoe rental fees. Keep in mind, though, this isn't your typical landlubbing bowling alley. The interior has been completely done up in a water theme that includes see-through lane floors offering a walking-on-water kind of optical illusion. Balls are returned via ceramic, oversized gators and dolphins, while scattered mermaid statuettes stand watch.

No matter how you roll—at the lanes, in the waiting line, or spending a very happy hour at the bar (like us)—it's a unique place that's worth checking out.



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Restaurant Guide

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AMERICAN

CALLAHAN'S A long-time favorite of Destin locals, Callahan's Restaurant & Deli lives up to its name, offering one of the town's most varied selections of deli sandwiches, salads, and full-on meals, with everything from quiche to barbecue. Steaks and chops are a perennial favorite, along with comforting meals of pot roast, prime rib, seafood platters, and some fancier regular and special items. Lunch and dinner; beer, wine and mixed drinks, \$3-20. 791 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-837-6328/837-7171. www.callahansdestin.com. www.facebook.com/callahansdestin.

CHARLIE'S BURGER BAR Destin's first true burger bar has it all - Burgers, Bourbon and Beer! Charlie's has a selection of 17 different burgers from lamb, Black Angus, wild boar, bison, even Ostrich. If you don't want one of the already built burgers, make your own. Select the bun you would like, than the protein, pick your cheese and your sides. The soon to be famous deep fried pickles are to die for. Or live a little and go for Charlie's Funky Fries topped with different types of cheeses. Happy hour daily from 3-6 p.m. Open at 3 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 11 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. \$3-32, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex, 850-424-7695. www.CharliesBurgerBar.com.

HOOTERS Wings, shrimp, burgers and more. Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Sun.-Thu., 11 a.m.-1 a.m. Fri. and Sat. Happy hour Mon.-Fri., 3-6 p.m. and 9 p.m.-close. 15015 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin, 850-654-1007. hootersonline.com.

ASIAN

LIN'S ASIAN CUISINE Enjoy carefully prepared and artfully served Chinese and Southeast Asian dishes in a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere. Chicken, beef, pork, duck, fish and shellfish are cooked to suit most tastes, and Lin's offers your favorites—General Tso's chicken, Mongolian beef, pad thai, lo mein and kung pao, among many others. Beer and wine. \$2-15. 130 Scenic Gulf Dr. #5B, Miramar Beach, 850-424-5888.

BAKERIES

CAKEMASTER'S BAKERY II Quality baked goods since 1971, made from scratch on the premises by a fourth generation baker. Decorated cakes for all occasions. New Sweet Expressions cake collection. Breakfast pastries—Danish (cheese, pecan, fruit), assorted coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, crumb cake, strudel, bienstich, pecan crispies. Delicious delights—brownies, regulah, cream fingers, biscotti, cookies (wedding, sugar, chocolate chip, raisin, fruit bars, holiday) and more. Refrigerated desserts—éclairs, Boston cream pie, cheesecake, black forest cake, Italian rum cake, Napoleons, French cream puffs and more. Come on by and see us. 105 Beach Drive Suite A-3, Fort Walton Beach (behind Pizza Hut on Racetrack Road), 850-862-4911. Closed Mondays.

BARBEQUE

LILLIE'S Q Award-winning on the national level barbecue restaurant located at 9848 Hwy. 98 W., Miramar Beach, approximately seven miles east of the Mid Bay Bridge. We offer barbecue that represents all areas of the U.S., such as pulled pork, baby back ribs, smoked chicken breast and beef tri-tip (sliced sirloin). All meat products are slow smoked using natural wood and lump charcoal. Seven sauce choices with delicious

side orders and the best banana pudding in the Panhandle. We offer a wrap around porch. No inside seating. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Call ahead orders welcomed! 850-654-3911.

BREAKFAST & MORE

ANOTHER BROKEN EGG CAFÉ is the Emerald Coast's premier breakfast, brunch and lunch destination. Sip on one of our award-winning, house infused Bloody Marys while you dine on breakfast classics, memorable brunch dishes or lunchtime favorites. Grand Boulevard – 755 Grand Boulevard, Suite B-107, Miramar Beach, 850-424-3416. Sandestin – 9100 Baytowne Wharf Boulevard, Suite A-4, 850-622-2050. www.anotherbrokenegg.com.

ASIAGO'S SKILLET There's no place like it. Open daily from midnight till noon. Try your hand at our one-of-a-kind Crab Cake Benny, mouth watering Bananas Foster French Toast or our classic American Breakfast. We've got something for everyone. Plus, don't miss out on our Build Your Own Bloody Mary Bar, complete with infused vodkas, every weekend. Truly breakfast at its best. 110 Amberjack Drive, Okaloosa Island, 850-586-7998. New location in Destin! 300 Harbor Blvd., 850-424-4160. www.facebook.com/asiago.skillet.

BLUE COLLAR CAFE Made to order breakfast and lunch served all day. House made bagels. Full coffee bar with Maas coffee and espresso roasted at the cafe. Home of the famous BOB (breakfast on a bagel) and New York style lox and house-mixed cream cheese. Salads and sides, homemade scones and sweets. Open Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. 104 Hollywood Blvd. SW, Fort Walton Beach.

CAMILLE'S CAFE Start your day with coffee and breakfast. We feature fluffy eggs, cinnamon rolls, apple pie muffins, fresh juice and smoothies. For lunch, enjoy our fresh caught tuna salad on an Asiago cheese bagel, Sriracha turkey sandwich or Mediterranean chicken salad sandwich. Plus all day Bloody Marys, mimosas, beer, and daiquiris made with fresh-squeezed juice. Join our party! 2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin, 850-337-8860.

THE DONUT HOLE Breakfast, donuts, sandwiches, salads, burgers and more. 635 U.S. 98 E, Destin, 850-837-8824.

THE DONUT HOLE 6745 U.S. 98 W, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-3239.

THE DONUT HOLE 12983 U.S. 98 E, Inlet Beach, 850-213-3127.

THE LOCAL MARKET Open 7 a.m.-3 p.m. daily. Fresh pressed juices, coffee, breakfast, gourmet sandwiches, homemade ice cream and more. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-460-8979.

THE PANCAKERY Serving breakfast and lunch daily from 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. Featuring build your own pancakes and omelettes! Waffles, French Toast, crepes, benedicts, bananas foster and all traditional breakfast items. Also, lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers, salads, wraps, and loaded potatoes. Now serving bloody marys, mimosas and cold beer. 960 Hwy 98 East, Suite 104, Destin. 850-269-0791.

TOMMY MATTONIE'S Looking for upscale breakfast options? We offer 13 different Eggs Benedicts and numerous specialty waffles. Trip Advisor honored us with a Certificate of

Excellence for 2015. Our list of New Orleans style po-boys for lunch is just as extensive as the Eggs Benedict selections. We serve only local fresh bay shrimp and offer some of the best slow smoked BBQ in FWB. We also serve salads, Floribbean tacos, soups and daily specials. Check Facebook for our daily specials. Open 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. every day except Mondays. Located at 723 Eglin Parkway NE in FWB near the Shalimar Bridge. 850-862-0895. www.tommymattonies.com.

BURGERS

CHARLIE'S BURGER BAR Burgers, bourbon and beer. Pick from 18 burgers or build your own. Over 50 beers and bourbons, funky French fries, milk shakes for all ages. Located at 2 Harbor Blvd. in HarborWalk Village's Crab Island Cantina Complex, Destin, 850-424-7695.

CASUAL DINING

FUDPUCKER'S BEACHSIDE BAR & GRILL – DESTIN Find out why Fudpucker's is #1 for Food and Fun. Fud's has offered great food, live alligators and world famous t-shirts in a fun filled family atmosphere since 1982. Family entertainment is offered nightly with **The Fudnominals** interactive dance team, and Teen Night is held every Thursday and Friday. Download the Fud app for daily deals on food, drinks and merchandise. 20001 Emerald Coast Parkway, across from Henderson Beach State Park. Call 850-654-4200 or visit us at www.fudpucker.com.

HOG'S BREATH CAFE A local favorite located in the heart of Destin, Hog's Breath offers a varied menu selection, from seafood tacos to

Bartender of the Issue



Bartender of the Issue – Tammy Timms *AJ's on the Bayou, Fort Walton Beach*

If you've ever imbibed along the northern part of Eglin Parkway, chances are you've had the pleasure of being served by Tammy. Her self-described (but we agree) "charming personality" first turned up in the '90s at the old Don Carlos, housed in the very building that is now home to one of the area's new AJ's locations.

She also poured here when the place was called Mango's, after a bartending stint up the street at Black Angus (now the Bull). She says her regulars follow her around. The owner of AJ's on the Bayou was reluctant about hiring someone who worked in "the old place," but he quickly came around. "He says I'm an asset," Tammy beams.

Tammy and her husband Matt live in Shalimar. They have three children ranging in ages from 12 to 18. Tammy enjoys boating and riding motorcycles. Her favorite local spots include the Whiskey Barn and Papa Joe's Hideaway ("Best wings in town, along with Buffalo's Reef," she says).

"I love the location and the people," she tells me as the patrons at AJ's outside bar witness another glorious sunset. Tammy's favorite adult beverage is something called Rumplemintz, "100 proof peppermint Schnapps. Isn't that crazy? I've been drinking that since forever. All my friends ask me if I've grown up yet, because they can't drink it any more."

- Chris Manson

Something New to Crave in Destin

Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar celebrated its opening recently with two charitable dinners and a grand opening to the public last month.

Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar raised over \$6,000 for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast and Food for Thought during their May 22 and 23 soft openings. Both nights featured complimentary dinners and drinks to guests, and 100 percent of the tips went directly back to both beneficiaries.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast serves members ages 5-18 who have started kindergarten and have not finished twelfth grade. Food for Thought is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides backpacks filled with healthy food for students who are dependent on free school meals.

From the genre-defining, innovative minds behind the award-winning sister restaurants, Jackacudas Seafood & Sushi and Brotula’s Seafood House & Steamer, Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar features a seasonal menu, focusing on local seafood and sushi, farm fresh ingredients and premium cuts, backed by a beverage program highlighting craft cocktails, an approachable and diverse wine list, social happy hour, and more.

Cuvee’s Executive Management team is comprised of restaurateurs and co-owners Tyler Jarvis and Christopher Ruyan, general manager and beverage director Zach Bingham, director of culinary Tyler McMahan, executive chef Allen Teuton, executive sous chef



Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar co-owner Tyler Jarvis with Food for Thought Outreach founder and executive director Tiffanie Nelson and Cuvee co-owner Christopher Ruyan.

Daniel Peters, and pastry chef Abby Henderson.

Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar offers patrons a unique experience by pairing fresh, local ingredients alongside culinary prowess to create exquisite dishes. Guests have the opportunity to start

with a selection of small plates, such as sushi rolls, local oysters, flatbreads, and much more. For entrees, guests can choose from a variety of dishes, such as the 40-ounce Bone-In Tomahawk-for-Two or Lobster Bouillabaisse.

All sides are served family style, with options such as Truffle Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Brussels sprouts and gnocchi. For dessert Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar’s pastry chef creates an assortment of sweet treats every evening.

In tandem to the roll out of new menu items, guests can also enjoy the updated atmosphere. Following months of remodeling—including updates to the bar, private dining areas and exterior—the new restaurant reveals a refreshed look and feel. Guests have the option of dining barside with views of Cuvee’s mixologists, adjacent to the bar in high-top booths, in the main dining room, or in one of two private dining rooms.

For guests interested in hosting a celebration or private party, Cuvee offers the intimate, private wine room framed with an assortment of wine labels and blends that seats 14. For those looking for a larger space, the

fireplace room is ideal for larger parties seating 40.

Adorning the restaurant’s interior walls are handcrafted, acrylic art pieces by 2017 South Walton Artist of the Year Marisol Gullo.

Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar will feature nightly dinner and cocktail features. Social Hour—Cuvee’s version of happy hour—is served Monday through Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close. The Social Hour menu highlights select dishes and libations that represent the foundation of their food and beverage program. These include handcrafted sushi rolls, signature cocktails and a rotating selection of single varietal house wines by the glass.

Additionally, every Thursday is Ladies Night, with complimentary champagne for ladies from 7 to 10 p.m.

Guests are asked to call 850-460-2909 for reservations, or book with the Resy app. Reservations are encouraged for parties of six or more. Those without reservations will be seated based on availability. Cuvee Kitchen + Wine Bar is closed on Sundays.

- Jessica Proffitt Bracken

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CATERING

BIG RED TRUCK Specializing in private events and full service catering. 850-737-1185. www.destinfoodtrucks.com.

COFFEE SHOPS

MAAS COFFEE ROASTERS Fresh roasted beans of origin, roasted in different profiles. Specialty coffee roasters for 10 years. "Once you go Maas, you'll never go 'Bucks!" Fresh made pastries and bagels, FREE WiFi. Open Mon.-Sat., 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sundays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 150 Miracle Strip Parkway, Fort Walton Beach, across from the Indian Temple Mound Museum. 850-585-0496.

CONTEMPORARY

BUD & ALLEY'S This Seaside perennial just keeps getting better. Lunch and dinner daily, with a varying menu offering grilled, roasted, and sautéed fish and shellfish, quail, chicken, pork, and plenty of interesting accompaniments. Full bar, \$4-34. 2236 CR30A East, Seaside, 850-231-5900.

LOUIS LOUIS Louis Louis is another dining hit. This "sister" restaurant to the famous Red Bar offers a short but all-star menu of fish, chicken, pork, crab cakes and pasta entrees, served in fat portions by a friendly staff. Do whatever you have to do, but don't skip dessert. Colorful décor, comfy tables, full bar, \$5-25. 35 Mussett Bayou Rd., Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-1500.

ECLECTIC

CAFÉ THIRTY-A Cafe Thirty-A has been here a while. Finding out why can be a delicious

experience. A nightly-changing menu offers steaks, chicken, pork, lamb, and local seafood elegantly prepared with imaginative sauces and sides, courteously served in a beautiful beach-house atmosphere. Lobster bisque, stone crab claws, seasonal fish and shellfish, and wood oven-baked pizzas. Full bar. \$8-36. 3899 E. Scenic Highway 30-A, Seagrove Beach, 850-231-2166.

THE RED BAR The place to go—and say you went—in Grayton Beach. The Red Bar offers breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a short but expertly prepared menu of sandwiches, soup and salads for lunch, chicken, local fish, pasta and crab cakes for dinner. The apple dumpling will haunt you, in a good way. Live music, and more local color than you'll know what to do with. Full bar, \$4-21. 70 Hotz Avenue, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008. www.theredbar.com.

VIN'TIJ Wine boutique and bistro. Wonderful food, service and a.m.sphere. Great approach to wine service offering Flight or tastings of unique varietals. Open daily for lunch or dinner plus a well stocked retail wine shop. \$5-19, 10859 Emerald Coast Pkwy, Destin, 650-9820.

FOOD TRUCKS

BIG RED TRUCK Gulf to table certified seafood, fresh fish tacos, high end comfort food on the move. We specialize in private events and full service catering. Daily specials and locations on Facebook. 850-737-1185. www.destinfoodtrucks.com.

GERMAN/AMERICAN

FOKKERS PUB German sausages and homemade schnitzels go great with German beer! Brick oven pizza, grilled or fried wings, burgers, sandwiches and salad bar – there's something for everyone! Live music Wednesdays and Fridays. Located at 215 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE Unit #1 in Downtown Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-6666.

HEALTHY DINING

GEORGE'S AT ALYS BEACH Established in 2008, George's has offered regional coastal fare infused with global flavors to the quaint town of Alys Beach. We craft all of our dishes using locally sourced organic produce and the freshest seafood available, and present each with a generous helping of love. Our dishes fall into two categories—Behave and Misbehave. The Behave section features organic, spa-inspired dishes, while the Misbehave side touts traditional beach fare like fried seafood baskets and po-boys. The menu is rounded out with a thoughtfully curated wine list and a selection of decadent desserts. Our charming beach cottage provides the perfect backdrop for a casual dinner with friends and family. Dine indoors in our airy yet cozy dining room, or soak in the beautiful Florida sunshine on our front deck or screened porches. Open 11 a.-3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. 30 Castle Harbour Dr., Panama City Beach, 850-641-0017, georgesatallysbeach.net.

IRISH

JOHNNY MCTIGHE'S Ireland on Scenic 30-A, a unique outpost of food and drink in Santa Rosa Beach. McTighe's opens at 11 a.m. and closes at 2 a.m. the next day. In between, the all-day menu offers an Irish grand slam of a breakfast, fish and chips, wings, pizza, and an array of hearty sandwiches, including Irish reuben, Philly cheese steak, burgers, chicken and hot dogs. There's even Maine lobster bisque. Full bar, \$4 - 21. 2298 Scenic Highway 30-A West, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-0101. www.johnnymctighesirishpub.com.

ITALIAN

TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO Authentic Italian cuisine includes pasta, freshest seafood, tender veal and more. A true taste of Italy—beautiful Italian decor with handpainted murals. Live Entertainment by Eclipse (Don and Amanda), Special Happy Hour from 5 to 8 p.m. 36178 Emerald Coast Pkwy. Next to City Market in Destin. 850-650-2451.

LATIN / MEXICAN

CRAB ISLAND CANTINA Traditional and not so traditional Mexican and Latin food, featuring snapper enchiladas, grouper tacos, and award-winning seafood chorizo gumbo. Great selection of seafood dishes and Black Angus steaks, and all are big portions so make sure you're hungry. Spacious dining area, multiple bars, even a fountain, plus the view of Destin Bridge and the East Pass. Full bar, wide choice of margaritas and beers, \$4-28, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex. 850-424-7417. www.CrabIslandCantina.com.

LA COCINA MEXICAN GRILL & BAR Since 2009, La Cocina has served traditional Tex-Mex fare with a coastal twist in a fun, festive atmosphere. We prepare all of our dishes from scratch using the freshest ingredients available. La Cocina is nestled between Rosemary Beach and Alys Beach in Seacrest Beach. Menu highlights include Tacos de Camerones with grilled shrimp, shredded lettuce, habanero pickled onions and feta cheese; the Pollo Fundido with shredded chicken and sour cream (chimichanga style) topped with cheese; and the Lobster Quesadilla with lobster, crab, shrimp and cheese topped with chipotle aioli and fruit salsa. Saturdays and Sundays, enjoy \$7 specialty cocktails during football season. Open 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. 10343 East CR-30A, Panama City Beach, 850-231-4021, lacocina30a.net.

LA PAZ offers just about anything you'd want from a Mexican-Southwestern kitchen, including tamales, tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and quesadillas, plus a thoughtfully prepared list of grilled local fish and shellfish and imaginative spins on classics. Daily dinner specials, full bar. \$15-25. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-837-2247. www.lapazdestin.com.

PEPITO'S MEXICAN GRILL An enormous menu, plenty of room, and a friendly staff make Pepito's a good bet for a Mexican snack or feast. Traditional and unusual fare includes carnitas, enchiladas, fajitas, vegetarian dishes,

Bars and Beaches? We're In



We like bars and beaches, so it goes to reason we really like a beach bar. Cheers to the new Bud & Alley's Beach Bar in Seaside, where you can enjoy refreshing cocktails, frozen drinks, beer and wine. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Photo by Alissa Attinger.



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steaks and seafood specialties. \$4-19. 757 Harbor Blvd, Destin, 650-7734. Additional locations in Bluewater Bay and Fort Walton Beach. www.mypepitos.com.

PIZZA & PASTA

CRUST PIZZERIA We strive to make the very best pizza. We make our own dough and sauce and grate the finest whole milk mozzarella. We make our own meatballs, slice the Italian sweet sausages, chop the fresh vegetables, then assemble your pizza just for you and bake it to perfection in a brick oven. Eat-in, takeout and delivery. Wine and craft beers. Open Mon.-Sat., 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sundays, 4-10 p.m. 104 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-460-2990. destincrustpizzeria.com.

CRUST PIZZERIA Pizza, calzones, pasta, salads, desserts and more made fresh. Wine and craft beers. Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. 433 Page Bacon Rd., Mary Esther, 850-737-2121.

CRUST PIZZERIA Pizza, calzones, pasta, salads, desserts and more made fresh. Wine and craft beers. Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. 1826 Lewis Turner Blvd., Fort Walton Beach, 850-737-2299.

LANDSHARK'S PIZZA Daily happy hour, 3-6 p.m. and full liquor bar plus award-winning pizza and wings. 360 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-460-6743. www.LandsharksPizza.com.

MELLOW MUSHROOM PIZZA BAKERY Widely, wildly assorted menu of stone baked pizzas, hoagies, calzones, salads, and specialty items. Pizzas traditional and exotic include

pesto, jerk chicken, gourmet white, and Magical Mystery Tour. Colorful psychedelic décor and friendly service. \$4-25. 960 Hwy 98E, Sunsations Plaza, Destin, 650-6420.

REDBRICK PIZZA Fresh fire-roasted pizzas, fhashani sandwiches and gourmet Italian gelato ice cream. We use only Qualita superior Italian cheeses and premium ingredients. Savor the passion of a century-old Italian tradition. Locations are Destin Commons next to Rave Motion Pictures, 850-424-5990; and Pier Park, Panama City Beach, 850-236-1413. Hours are Sun.-Thurs., 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Fri. and Sat., 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

SEAFOOD

THE BACK PORCH Experience open air dining with the best view of the Gulf of Mexico. Serving grouper, oysters, fried crab claws and our famous char-grilled amberjack. Lunch and dinner. Open daily from 11 a.m. 1740 Old Highway 98 East, Destin. On U.S. 98 across from the Track, turn at the Hampton Inn, drive about 1/4 mile, and you'll find us on the right side. www.theback-porch.com. 850-837-2022.

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF A tradition since 1977, Capt. Dave's is a go-to place for the kind of seafood that made this area famous. A time-tested selection of fried, grilled, and broiled fish, shellfish, steaks and chicken, with house and seasonal specialties. Full bar. \$5-25. 3796 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, 850-837-2627.

GRANDE VISTA BAR & GRILL Located in the Emerald Grande. Open daily 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Grande Vista Bar & Grill has delicious local seafood, signature sandwiches and mouth-watering burgers. Enjoy casual or business lunch inside or poolside overlooking the Destin Harbor. Enjoy special drink prices inside or outside at our poolside bar. The view from our pool deck is simply breathtaking. Half-priced drinks daily, 4-6 p.m. 10 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8100 x1550. info@emeraldgrande.com.

HARBOR DOCKS on the historic Destin Harbor has been serving simply prepared Gulf to table seafood from its own market since 1979. Offering hearty breakfasts, a lunch menu featuring blue plate specials alongside authentic Thai dishes, and the area's best sushi by world famous Chef Yoshie Eddings. In addition to traditional Gulf seafood dishes, there is something for everyone. 538 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-837-2506. harbordocks.com.

HARRY T'S LIGHTHOUSE Located in HarborWalk Village right on the beautiful Destin Harbor, Harry T's has something for all ages! With entrees ranging from fresh local seafood to our gourmet hamburgers, there's something for everyone! Voted Best Place to Watch the Sunset four years in a row, our outside deck offers an unparalleled view of the Destin Harbor. Mega Happy Hour Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. 46 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-654-4800. info@harryts.co.

LOCAL CATCH has established itself as a Hot Spot for fresh coastal cuisine with superior customer service. Dine in daily from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and enjoy Happy Hour Mon.-Fri., 3-5 p.m. Join us every Sunday for live music from 3 to 7 p.m. 3711 West Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-2022. www.localcatch30a.com.

OLD BAY STEAMER Wide variety of fresh steamed seafood served in every imaginable combination. Choose from crab, shrimp, lobster, oysters, clams, mussels, and fresh catch of the day. Pasta and steak/seafood pairings also offered. Friendly, efficient service. Open daily for dinner, with full bar. \$4-27, 102 Santa Rosa Blvd., Okaloosa Island, 664-2795.

ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK Located on the water. The Crab Shack serves crab, shrimp, oysters, mussels, scallops and assorted local fish in an informal and family-friendly atmosphere. Crab steamer buckets, fried seafood baskets, sandwiches and po-boys, and some land-based items. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Daily specials, inside and outside dining. Full bar. \$3-45. 104 Miracle Strip Pkwy., Fort Walton Beach. 850-664-0345.

POMPAÑO JOE'S Come on in for some fun and fresh seafood with a very exciting flavor. Try our famous reggae rolls and our garlic crusted grouper! Lunch and dinner. Open daily from 11 a.m. 2237 Scenic Gulf Highway, Destin. Take Holiday Road South, turn right on scenic Hwy. 98, drive down about two blocks, and you'll find us on the left side. www.pompano-joes.com. 850-837-2224.

SALTWATER GRILL We provide a relaxing, casual atmosphere designed to heighten the enjoyment of our customers' dining experience. Most of our tables have entertaining views of a 25,000-gallon aquarium filled with exotic fish. Become mesmerized by the soothing sounds of **Michael Rorah**, our singing pianist, who plays Tuesday through Saturday evenings. Lobsters available for viewing and choosing at the front of the restaurant. Open 4-10 p.m.

1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, saltwatergrillpcb.com.

STINKY'S FISH CAMP Seafood is king at this informal Santa Rosa Beach eatery. Oysters "all ways," crawfish pie, catfish or frog legs meuniere, and gumbo are just a few of the Louisiana-inspired dishes. Service is friendly and attentive. Open daily 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Serving brunch on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Beer, wine and live music at Stinky's Bait Shack from 6 to 9 p.m. 5960 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-3053.

STEAKS

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RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE serves the finest aged, corn-fed USDA Prime beef. Broiled in a trademark 1,800° broiler and served on a plate heated to 500 degrees, your steak is presented sizzling hot at your table. Happy hour daily from 5 to 7 p.m. in any of our three bars, including the new East Bar. We boast an array of private event spaces, our own private billiard room, valet parking, and live entertainment five nights a week from *Billboard*-charting recording artist Michael J Thomas (upon availability). Open seven days a week at 5 p.m. For reservations, call 850-837-RUTH (7884) or visit www.RuthsChrisDestin.com.

SALTWATER GRILL Open 4-10 p.m. 1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, saltwatergrillpcb.com.

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SUSHI

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OSAKA JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE AND SUSHI BAR 34745 Emerald Coast Pkwy, Destin, 650-4688.

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TAPAS AND WINE

LA CREMA TAPAS AND CHOCOLATE Spanish-inspired tapas restaurant featuring unique tapas and Spanish wines. The European vibe provides a relaxing atmosphere where we encourage guests to share dishes, converse and enjoy Rosemary Beach living. Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. 38 Main St., Rosemary Beach, 850-624-7282, lacrematapas.com.

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If your bar isn’t listed here, you need to email chris@beachcomberdestin.com immediately!

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Drink Specials: \$4 house margaritas, \$3 well drinks and house wine, \$3 Corona, Corona Light, Bud Light and Miller Lite.

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2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin
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45 CENTRAL WINE BAR
45 Central Square, Seaside
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When: Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m.-7 p.m.—downstairs bar only.
Drink Specials: Half off drinks.

HOG’S BREATH SALOON
541 Harbor Blvd., Destin
850-837-5991
When: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and 10 p.m. to close, Mon.-Fri.
Drink Specials: Half off wells and calls, \$1 Bud Light draft, \$1 off domestic beer and wines.

JACKACUDAS
HarborWalk Village, Destin
850-424-3507
When: Monday-Friday, 3-6 p.m. Sushi bar and bar area only. Bonzai Wednesdays, 6 p.m.-close with half price sake, house wine, apps and sushi rolls.
Drink Specials: Half-price hot sake carafes, house wine pours, select draft beers and select apps, plus \$5 California rolls, spicy krab rolls and crunch salmon rolls.

JIMMY BUFFETT’S MARGARITAVILLE
HarborWalk Village, Destin
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850-837-2247
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LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S
4607 Legendary Marina Drive, Destin
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When: Monday-Friday, 3-6 p.m.
Drink Specials: \$2 select drafts, \$8 pitchers, \$3 glass house wines, \$4 rocks house Margaritas, \$6 frozen house Margaritas and Daiquiris.

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When: Mon.-Fri., 3-7 p.m., \$1 off beer, wine and wells. Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., two-for-one wells and beer.

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4801 West County Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach
850-267-2305
When: Seven days a week, 3-6 p.m.
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John Hollan's Starfish Family



We were delighted when this photo of the Starfish Family reading BEACHCOMBER showed up in our inbox. John Hollan's wonderful children's book THE ADVENTURES OF THE STARFISH FAMILY IN DESTIN, FLORIDA is available at johnhphotography.com, along with a bunch of other cool Starfish Family merch.

Coincidentally, the issue the Starfish are reading is an older one, but it features this issue's cover artist, Lesha Maureen Porche.

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of the victims whose barbaric murders have been gloatingly posted by jihadists on the Internet.

Griffin insisted her spoof was aimed strictly at Trump, which, if true, reveals a serious lull in her creative process. A decapitation gag is the cleverest idea you can come up with?

No other new president has provided such rich material for those in the humor industry. The Trump White House is basically a nonstop factory of free jokes.

Not since Bill Clinton's Monica Lewinsky scandal have comedy writers had it so easy. Witness the soaring TV ratings for *Saturday Night Live*

and Alec Baldwin's mercilessly "huge" impersonation of Trump.

Stephen Colbert's late-night show on CBS has surged since his opening monologue became a lacerating recap of what the president tweeted or did that day.

The news flow from the chaotic West Wing is so bountiful that John Oliver says his staff struggles to fit non-Trump segments into his terrific HBO program, *Last Week Tonight*. Same goes for Trevor Noah on Comedy Central's *The Daily Show*.

These days, any comedy writer who is unable to compose a legitimately funny joke based on what's happening

in Washington needs to find another line of work. There might never again be such an unsettling abundance of inspiration.

It's always in such worrisome times when Americans look for relief—and occasional insight—from political humor.

But it's actually a serious job. If you treat it the way Griffin did, you end up as the punch line of your own terrible joke.

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